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Incredible claims

healed on the Sabbath

making himself equal with God

What motivates Jesus?

John 5:34. "so that you may be saved"

Testimony # 1 - JB

John 1:19, 24

John 1:29 – Messiah , the Son of God (1:34).

Testimony # 2 – The Work and Word of the Father

The work = the blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised and the good news is preached to the poor"

John 3:2. "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him".

The Word

Hillel, "the more study of the law then the more life"

"if a man gains for himself words of the law he has gains for himself life in the world to come"

John 3:16 - "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life"

So how is that these people miss recognising Jesus?

John 5:42, "they do not have the love of God in their hearts"

For us today

Church leaders

... diligently study the scriptures but does not have the love of God in his heart.

Us

Firstly - the way we listen and respond to the written word of God.

James 1:22, "Do not merely listen to the word and so deceive yourself, do what it says"

Secondly, what we do with the person Jesus.

Finally, how we see the lost