Day 1: ENEMIES

Read John 5:18, 19, 30; John 10:30-33; Philippians 2:10, 11.

What did the Jews want to do to Jesus in John 5:18? _____

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Why did they want to do this? (John 5:18) _____

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According to John 5:19, how close is the relationship between Jesus and the Father? _____

What does Jesus say in John 10:30? _____

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What did the Jews do in John 10:31? _____

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What reason did they give for wanting to stone Jesus? (John 10:33)

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Someday, those who are enemies of Jesus will do what according to Philippians 2:10, 11? _____

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It's important for us to understand that even Jesus, perfect Jesus, faced "giants" as He lived here on earth. We didn't read about them but Jesus faced homelessness (Matthew 8:20), hunger (Mark 11:12), issues with his brothers (John 7:5), hatred (John 15:18), and enemies. In our reading, we learned that Jesus and the Father are both God, and work TOGETHER. We may think that Jesus, being God, could deal with any struggle, any problem, any life altering situations all on His own. That may be true, but the fact is Jesus did NOTHING without the Father. Everything He did was for the Glory of the Father. EVERYTHING! Jesus and the Father work so closely that they act as one. Jesus went to the Father moment by moment as He faced challenges, as He taught His disciples, as He healed many, as He fed multitudes, as He faced enemies. You couldn't separate Jesus and the Father. They were and are one.

How cool would it be to walk so closely with God that people see you as one! Jesus gives us the example of how to lean into God so well that there is no gap between you and God. Take time today to pray and ask God to help you depend on Him more every day so that when you face your "GIANTS", you and God act as ONE in Jesus!

Journal/Prayer: _____

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Today's Memory Verse:
Ephesians 1:17 *I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better.* (NIV)