

# NO ONE IS STRONGER THAN ME

John 10.22-42 // February 7, 2021

## YOU ARE ...GODS?

During the Feast of Tabernacles, Jesus again gets in trouble with the Pharisees, who want to stone Him for making claims about Himself and God. But Jesus reminds them of Psalm 82, in which God calls the judges of Israel “gods” because they were to be god-like executors of God’s judgements and justice and act as His hands and feet. However, they failed miserably, and yet they weren’t threatened with stoning.

Here, Jesus points out the irony (and hypocrisy) that those who sinfully failed as “gods” would go unpunished, but He Himself, who proves by His own works and miracles actually does possess the power of God, would be punished.

Psalm 82.1-8

## MY DAD CAN BEAT UP YOUR DAD

1. **I Give Them Eternal Life (but My Father Gave Them to Me):** A born again believer has been chosen by the plan of God, which was set forth in Christ, and guaranteed by His successful mission and giving of His Spirit as a seal.

**Ephesians 1.3-14**

2. **No One Will Snatch Them Out of My Hand, Nor Out of the Father’s Hand:** And they will never perish! This guarantee means we won’t be lost, and even *can’t* be lost.

**Hebrews 6.13-19 // John 17.6-12 // Romans 8.30-39 // 1 Peter 1.3-5**

## I AND THE FATHER ARE ONE

3. **I and the Father are One:** He lets the Pharisees know that He has indeed been sent by God, but that He is not merely a prophet who does the work of God, like how the judges of Psalm 82 were supposed to do the work of God, but that He Himself has the authority of God because He is indeed *one* with God.

**God is not simply a sending God, but He is a sent God.**

Jesus is one with God Almighty; He is God in the flesh. He is not just sent by God, but He *is* the *sent* God. God who sent *Himself* to reveal His glory, mercy, and grace, to come and be near the brokenhearted, to rescue the broken, to satisfy the spiritually hungry and thirsty, to be their Bread of Life, their Living Water, to be Light to the Spiritually Blind, and to be the Good Shepherd that leads, guides, protects, and feeds His flock.

And He makes it clear: I will not fail. I *cannot* fail. Because I and the Father are One.

## NOTES:

### This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:

**Ezekiel 37:13**

And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people.

## ARE YOU NEW HERE?

### WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We’d love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

### WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens’ ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

### JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshiping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.



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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **John 10.22-42**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

This section is filled with such deep and rich Gospel truths. How do these claims of Jesus change how you view your every day life and struggles with sin, as well as your thoughts about the future?

### Your Life Mission

Which relationships or get-togethers might be in your future that you would like prayer for, to help them hopefully see their need for the Good Shepherd in their lives?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
  - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
  - Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don't need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
  - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
  - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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