**JOHN 17:7-8**

**11-13-19**

**Introduction –**

**Impeachment Hearings Of President Donald Trump Began Today, Primarily Over A Personal Phone Call Between President Trump, And The President Of Ukraine.**

**At Issue Is What Was Said On That Phone Call. In Essence, The President Claims That Nothing Inappropriate Occurred In That Call.**

**Yet, His Opponents Claim Otherwise. They Say The Content Of The Conversation, Were Not Only Inappropriate, But In Violation Of The U.S. Constitution.**

**The Transcript Of The Call Is Available For All To Read, But Each Presents A Different Interpretation Of What Was Said. *There Is A Lot At Stake.***

**Tonight, We Have Before Us, The Transcript Of An Infinitely More Important Personal Conversation – *That Between The First Person Of The Trinity And The Second Person Of The Trinity.***

**I Submit To You That How We Interpret This Transcript Has Much Greater Implications Than Anything Going On In Washington!**

**1. V. 7 – Let’s Begin By Identifying The Personal Pronoun’s In This Text (Kjv).**

**(Slide 2)**

“They”

The 11 Disciples

“Thou”

The Father

“Me”

Christ

“Thee”

The Father

**2. Would Someone, In Your Own Words, Tell Us What Jesus Is Saying In This Verse?**

**3. Jesus Says That The 11 Disciples Know (*Absolutely Sure*) That All That Jesus Is/Has Is A Direct Endowment From God, The Father.**

**4. This Presents An Incredibly Important Theological Truth. It Presents Us With The Question Of…**

**(Slide 3)**

Source

Agency

Cause

**5. Did There Come A Time When, Even Jesus’ Staunchest Enemies, Like The Scribes And Pharisees, No Longer Could Deny That Jesus Performed Many Miraculous/Supernatural Deeds?**

**6. If It Became Undeniable – Even To Jesus’ Enemies – That We Was Able To Perform Supernatural Wonders, What Was The Only Question Each Individual Must Then Answer Concerning Jesus?**

**(Slide 4)**

What Was The Source Of His Power?

**7. Let’s Look At Matthew 12:22-24; 31-32**

**8. Let’s Look At A Contrasting Verse: II Thessalonians 2:8-9 (*Anti*-Christ)**

**9. (Slide 5)**

It’s Not About The Miracle. It’s About The *Source* Of The Miracle!

**10. V. 8a – In Verse 8, What Is The First Declaration Jesus Makes?**

**11. What Does Jesus Mean By “Words”? (*The Teachings – The Doctrines – The Revelation – The Full Measure Of The Gospel Truths*)**

**12.V. 8b - *Now We Are Going To Focus On What Jesus Says Of The Disciples Concerning His “Words” And His Person!***

**13. What Is The First Thing Jesus Says They Did With His Words?**

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John 17:8  
For I Have Given Unto Them The Words Which Thou Gavest Me; And They Have **Received** *Them,* And Have Known Surely That I Came Out From Thee, And They Have Believed That Thou Didst Send Me.

**14. Received: The Disciples *Took Hold/Embraced* Of All Jesus Taught Them.**

**15. (Slide 7)**

John 17:8  
For I Have Given Unto Them The Words Which Thou Gavest Me; And They Have Received *Them,* And Have **Known Surely** That I Came Out From Thee, And They Have Believed That Thou Didst Send Me.

**16. Known Surely: To Be *Absolutely*, *Resolutely*, Assured That Something Is True.**

**17. (Slide 8)**

John 17:8  
For I Have Given Unto Them The Words Which Thou Gavest Me; And They HaveReceived *Them,* And Have Known Surely That I Came Out From Thee, And They Have **Believed** That Thou Didst Send Me.

**18. Believed: To Place One’s *Faith* And *Trust* Into Something.**

**19. (Slide 9)**

The Disciples Took Hold/Embraced All The Teachings And Doctrines Of Christ; And They Were Absolutely And Resolutely Sure That Jesus Was Who He Said He Was; And They Demonstrated Their Resolve By Placing Their Faith And Trust In Him.

**20. (*My USMC Water Survival Experience*)**