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"Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the Temple, and was teaching. And the Jews marveled, saying, How does this Man know letters (i.e. how did Jesus become educated), having never studied? Jesus answered them, and said, '<u>My teaching is not Mine, but His (the Father's) who sent Me</u>. If any man is willing to do His will (the Father's will), <u>he shall know of the doctrine</u>, whether it is of God, or whether I speak of Myself. He who speaks of himself seeks his own glory; but He (Jesus Himself) who seeks **His (the Father's)** glory who sent Him, the **Same** is true, and no unrighteousness is in Him." (John 7:14-18)

My: from the Greek word <u>eme</u> which means: <u>my</u>; an emphatic <u>possessive</u> pronoun for the first person: <u>my</u>, or <u>mine</u>. In context: the teachings of Christ Jesus, <u>His teachings</u> to His disciples, and the people in general, <u>are not actually His own teachings</u>; but rather <u>they are the Father's teachings</u>, which He entrusted to Jesus to share with Israel His chosen people.

Teaching: from the Greek word <u>didache</u> which means: <u>teaching</u>, or <u>doctrine</u>; something that is taught; especially a belief, or set of beliefs, held and taught to other persons. In context: refers to <u>the teachings of the Father</u> as taught through through Jesus; of which includes moral teachings, illustrative parables, warnings, future prophecies; etc..

Is Not Mine: from the Greek words <u>*ouk estin eme*</u> which mean: <u>is not mine</u>. Again, in context: Jesus is saying that His teachings do not originate from Himself; but rather they originate with and from God the Father, who gave them to Jesus to share with people.

But His: from the Greek words <u>alla tou</u> which mean: <u>but of-the-one</u>; (masculine, singular) thus <u>His</u>: In context: <u>speaking of the Father</u>, who is the source and originator of the teachings taught by Christ Jesus.

Who Sent Me: from the Greek words <u>pempsantos me</u> which mean: <u>having-sent me</u>; from <u>pempo</u>: to send; a primary verb meaning to dispatch, as from the subjective view or <u>point of departure</u>. Thus, in context: Jesus <u>was sent</u>, from being with the Father in Heaven, by the Father to His chosen people in Israel, to share with them the Father's doctrines, and teachings, etc..

The overall context is that the doctrines and teachings of Christ Jesus are of Devine origin; that is they are from God the Father, the God of all Creation! Please consider the following:

Jesus said, "'As the living Father has sent Me, and I live through the Father; so he who eats Me, even he shall live through Me. This is that bread which came down from heaven; not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead; he who eats of this bread shall live forever.' These things He spoke in the synagogue, <u>as He taught</u> in Capernaum. Many therefore of His disciples, when they had heard this (the Bread of Life doctrine), said, 'This is a hard saying; who can hear it?' When Jesus knew within Himself that His disciples murmured about it, He said unto them, 'Does this offend you? <u>What if you shall see the Son of Man ascend up where He was before</u>? It is **the Spirit** who makes alive; the flesh profits nothing; the words (His teachings) that I speak unto you, <u>they are spirit, and they are life</u>." (John 6:57-63)

Jesus said "I have many things to say (to teach) and to judge of you; but He (the Father) who sent Me is True; and I speak (teach) to the world those things <u>which I have heard from Him</u>.' But they did not understood that He spoke to them of the Father. Then Jesus said unto them, 'When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you shall know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but <u>as My Father has taught Me</u>, <u>I speak (teach) these things</u>. And He who sent Me <u>is with Me</u>; the Father has not left Me alone; for I do always those things that please Him.' As He spoke these words, <u>many believed on Him</u>."

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And again:

Jesus said, "If you had known Me, you would have known My Father also; and from henceforth <u>you know Him</u>, and <u>have seen Him</u>.' But Philip said unto Him, 'Lord, show us the Father, and it enough for us.' Jesus said unto him, 'Have I been with you so long time, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? <u>He who has seen Me has seen the Father</u>; and how do you say then, 'Show us the Father?' Do you not believe that <u>I am in the Father</u>, and the <u>Father is in Me</u>? **The words that I speak (teach) unto you I speak not of Myself: but the Father who dwells in Me**, <u>He</u> does the works. Believe Me that <u>I am in the Father</u>, and the <u>Father in Me</u>; or else believe Me for the very works' sake.' " (John 14:7-11)

And so it was: Jesus traveled throughout the land teaching the people the Teachings of the Father. And such were His teachings, that the people marveled and were astonished, and they wondered how Jesus became so authoritative in His teachings, since they knew that Jesus never was educated under the doctrine of a Rabbi scholar. Please consider the following:

"And He (Jesus) began again to teach by the sea side; and there was gathered unto Him a great multitude, so that He entered into a boat sitting upon the sea; and the whole multitude was by the sea on the land. And <u>He taught</u> them many things by parables, ..." (Mark 4:1-2)

"And Jesus went about all Galilee, <u>teaching</u> in their synagogues, and <u>preaching</u> the Good news of the Kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." (Matthew 4:23) (~ Matthew 9:35)

"But He passing through the midst of them went His way, and came down to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught them on the sabbath days. <u>And they were **astonished at His**</u> **doctrine: for His word (His teaching) was with power**." (Luke 4:30-32)

"And they went into Capernaum; and straightway on the Sabbath day He entered into the synagogue, <u>and taught</u>. And <u>they were astonished at His teaching</u>: for <u>He taught them as one who had authority</u> (yes, as given by God!), and not as the scribes." ... And they were all <u>amazed</u>, insomuch that they questioned among themselves, saying, 'What thing is this? <u>What new doctrine is this</u>? (it is new from the Father!!) For <u>with authority</u> He commands even the unclean spirits, and they do obey Him.' " (Mark 1:21-22; and vs 27)

But His adversaries confronted Jesus concerning His Teachings:

"And when He (Jesus) had come into the Temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came unto Him <u>as He was teaching</u>, and said, 'By what authority do You do these things? And <u>who gave You this authority</u>?' " (Matthew 21:23) (a question Jesus refused to answer, please read in context)

His refusal to answer was because He had already publicly said, "<u>My teaching is not Mine, but</u> <u>His (the Father's) who sent Me</u>." And again, "<u>For I have not spoken of Myself</u>; but the Father who sent Me, He gave me a commandment, <u>of what I should say</u>, and what I should speak (i.e. <u>teach</u>)." And "the very works" signs and wonders, and miracles proved by what Authority Jesus did all things. Please consider the following:

Later, "Jesus cried-out and said, '<u>He who believes on Me, believes not on Me, but on Him (the Father) who sent Me</u>. And <u>he who sees Me sees Him (the Father)</u> who sent Me. I have come as a Light into the world, so that whoever believes on Me should not abide in darkness. And if any man hears My words (His teachings), and does not believe, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world, <u>but to save the world</u>. He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words (His teachings, & doctrines), has one that judges him; the word (the doctrine) that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day. <u>For I have not spoken of Myself</u>; but the Father who sent Me, He gave me a commandment, <u>of what I should say, and what I</u> should speak (i.e. teach). And I know that His commandment is Life Everlasting. Therefore, whatever I speak (teach) even as the Father said unto Me, so I speak.' " (John 12:44-50)

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Jesus said, " 'Therefore whoever <u>hears these sayings (these teachings) of Mine</u>, and does them, I will liken him unto a wise man, who built his house upon a rock; and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it did not fall; for it was founded upon <u>the rock</u>. But, every one who hears these sayings of Mine, and does not do them, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand; and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.' And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these sayings, the people were astonished at His teachings; for <u>He taught them as One having</u> <u>authority</u>, and not as the scribes." (Matthew 7:24-29)

However, the adversaries of Jesus were persistent in their efforts to challenge His teachings:

"Then went the Pharisees, and took counsel how they might trap Him (Jesus) in His talk (His doctrine). And they sent out unto Him their disciples with the Herodians, saying, 'Master, we know that You are true, <u>and teach the way of God in truth</u>, ... Tell us therefore, What do You think? Is it lawful to give tribute unto Caesar, or not?' But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and said, 'Why are you tempting Me, you hypocrites? Show Me the tribute money.' And they brought unto Him a denarius. And He said unto them, 'Whose image is this and superscription? They say unto Him, 'Cesar's' Then He said unto them, 'Render therefore unto Cesar the things which are Cesar's; and unto God the things that are God's.' <u>When they had heard these words, they marveled, and left Him</u>, and went their way. While the Pharisees were gathered together, <u>Jesus asked them</u>, saying, 'What do you think of the Christ? whose son is He?' They say unto him, 'The Son of David.' Then He said unto them, 'How then does David in Spirit call Him Lord, saying, '*The LORD said unto My Lord, sit You on My Right Hand, until I make Your enemies Your footstool*?' (Psalm 110:1) If David then call Him (the Christ) Lord, how is He his son? And no man was able to answer him <u>a word, nor did any man from that day forth ask Him any more questions.</u>" (Matthew 22:<u>15-45 see in context</u>)

"And they came to Jerusalem, and Jesus went into the Temple, and began to cast out those who sold and bought in the Temple; and He overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of those who sold doves; and He would not allow that any man should carry any vessel through the Temple. And He taught, saying unto them, 'Is it not written, 'My house shall be called of all nations the house of prayer?' but you have made it a den of thieves.' And the scribes and chief priests heard it, and sought how they might destroy Him; for they feared Him, because all the people was astonished at His doctrine." (Mark 11:15-18)

Finally, please consider Jesus' words of prayer unto His Father:

"And now, O Father, glorify Me with Your own Self with the glory which I had with You before the world existed. I have <u>manifested</u> Your Name unto the men whom You gave to Me out of the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to Me; and they have kept Your word (the Father's teachings that Jesus taught them). Now they have known that all things whatever You have given to Me are from You. For I have given unto them <u>the words (the Father's teachings) which You gave to Me</u>; and they have received them, and have known <u>surely that I came out from You</u>, and they have believed that You sent Me." (John 17:5-8)

The Teachings and Doctrines of Christ Jesus were the Teachings and Doctrines that He received from the Father

Thus, He taught the people with all authority, power, and wisdom as from the Father! And the people were astonished, and marveled with amazement!

> Lord Jesus Your teachings prove that You came from the Father! All Your works doubly prove that You and the Father are One!

All Praise, and Honor, and Glory are Yours forever and ever!!! Amen!