

Morning Sermon, Sunday 7 May 2017, Julian Hardyman

*Series: When God steps down (John 1-6)*

## **What makes it so hard to believe in Jesus?**

John 5:31-47

### **Four Witnesses – to encourage belief in Jesus**

- The Father (32)
- John the Baptist (33-35)
- The works of Jesus fulfilling the plan of God (36)
- The words of the Father (37)

### **Four Blockages – to belief in Jesus**

- reading the bible but missing its heart (37-39)
- deep down not wanting to love God (42) as seen in
  - preferring human guides to life rather than Jesus (43)
  - preferring human approval to God's (44)
- finding hope in the wrong place (45-47)

So either you need a miracle – or you are living one!