INTRODUCTION

The last time Jesus was in Jerusalem (John 5) He healed an invalid of 38 years on the Sabbath and called God His Father. The result? The Jews were seeking to kill him. In chapter 7, Jesus will head back to Jerusalem during the Feast of the Booths and not much has changed. In fact, it seems as if the opposition to Jesus is continuing to increase.

vv. 1-13 — “Not Even His Brothers”

vv. 14-24 — “He Has Never Studied”

vv. 25-31 — “We Know Where This Man Comes From”

3 Big Ideas From John 7:1-31

Agenda

Authority

Activity

Now What?
MONDAY | JOHN 7:1-31
If someone came to you on the street and asked you “Who was Jesus” what would be your response? What do you think other people’s responses would be? Why is a proper answer to this question so important? Whose responsibility is it to tell other people about Jesus? When is the last time you told someone about Jesus? How was that experience? Is there someone in your life right now with whom you could share the truth about Jesus?

TUESDAY | JOHN 7:1-13; DUETERONOMY 16:15-17
Why were the Jews seeking to kill Jesus? What is the Feast of Booths? According to Deuteronomy 16, why was it strange for Jesus to say He was not going to the feast? What was the agenda of Jesus’ brothers? What does “His hour” mean here? What do we learn from Jesus’ response to His brothers? How can you apply that type of response now to your own life?

WEDNESDAY | JOHN 7:14-24
What are other people’s opinions about who Jesus is? Is there a consensus? Do you see similar types of responses in people today? How do we know if someone is speaking the words of God? Whose glory should we seek when we speak? How should Jesus’ words “My teaching is not Mine, but His who sent Me” be a common response among believers today? Is it your constant aim to teach the words of God?

THURSDAY | JOHN 7:25-31
How did the people’s perception begin to change? What prompted them to change in this way? Based on verse 31, what did Jesus do that made them think differently? Why is it a tragic thing for Jesus to say that they do not know who sent Him? What are the ramifications for not accepting Jesus’ teaching about who He is?

FRIDAY | PRAY
Reflect on the questions from this week. Ask the Lord to help you grow in any areas where you may struggle. Ask the Lord to grow your confidence in sharing the truth of who Jesus is. Pray for someone God has placed in your life who does not know Jesus. Ask the Lord to prepare their heart to receive the words that you share about Jesus. Ask the Lord to give you boldness.

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