

Series "Jesus: God And Savior"
"The Courageous Christ"
John 7:1-13
Part-23

John 7:5

The closing words of **John 6** clearly show that a turning point has occurred in our Lord's ministry. **John 6:66**

John 7:1 – because the Jews were seeking to kill Him.

John 7-11 – records the hostility against Jesus; how it went from hatred to murder!

Verses 1-10 – Before The Feast

Verses 11-36 – During The Feast

Verses 37-52 – Last Day Of The Feast

Thought Of Our Passage: "Jesus, The Son Of God, Was Living On God's Divine Timetable, Not Fearing Man But Obeying God."

1. Verses 1-2 – Timetable Of Jesus

2. Verses 3-5 – Advice For Jesus

3. Verses 6-9 – Purpose Of Jesus

4. Verses 10-13 – Arrival Of Jesus

1. Verses 1-2 – Timetable Of Jesus:

John 7:1

"After these things" – there is a 6 month gap between these two chapters.

Jesus traveling to Tyre – Matthew 15:21-25, healings, casting out demons, Mark 8:22-26; feeding the 4000 – Matthew 15:32-38; Jesus taught His disciples – Matthew 16:21; 17:22-23; The transfiguration – Matthew 17:1-8.

"Jews were seeking to kill Him" – 7X in this chapter it mentions the Jew's hatred for and/or their desire to kill Him.

John 5:18

The religious forgot the 6th Commandment, Exodus 20:13.

John 7:2

“Feast of Booths (Tabernacles),” – lasted 7 days; they would build little booths with branches with little slits in the roof to be able to see the stars, Leviticus 23:39-43.

2. Verses 3-5 – Advice For Jesus:

John 7:3

“Therefore” – Feast of Tabernacles was near; “His brothers said to Him,”

Matthew 12:46

Matthew 13:55-56

Mark 3:31-32

The Brothers Of Jesus Give To Jesus 4 Pieces Of Advice:

Brother’s Advice #1 – Find A Bigger Venue: “Leave here and go into Judea,”

Brother’s Advice #2 – Revive The Excitement Through Letting Your Disciples See The Miraculous: “so that Your disciples also may see Your works which You are doing.”

John 7:4

Brother’s Advice #3 – To Be A Public Figure Means Public Relations: “For no one does anything in secret, when he himself seeks to be known publicly.”

Brother’s Advice #4 – Give The People What They Want: “If You do these things, show Yourself to the world.”

John 7:5

Psalms 69:8

His Miracles – did not convince them.

His Teaching – did not stir them.

His Claims – did not impress them.

His Character – did not interest them.

3. Verses 6-9 – Purpose Of Jesus:

John 7:6 – “My time is not yet here,” – His Death.

“All of Jesus Days Were Planned In Heaven!” John 7:30

John 7:7

“The world” – “human life and society as opposed to God.” Its science, politics, economics, and social systems, philosophy’s, pleasures, religions, goals and organizations are all opposed to God, indifferent to the world to come.”

“cannot hate you;” – John 15:19

“but it hates Me because I testify of it, that its deeds are evil.” – Jesus was hated for revealing the sinfulness of men!

John 3:19-21

John 7:8

“Go up to the feast yourselves;” – Deuteronomy 16:16

“I do not go up to this feast” – “I go not up yet, or not yet”; “You go. I’m staying awhile.”

“because My time has not yet fully come.” – Jesus was on a divine timetable, 1 Corinthians 5:7.

Malachi 3:1

John 7:9

4. Verses 10-13 – Arrival Of Jesus:

John 7:10

“not publicly, but as if, in secret.” – But he himself went up so as not to draw attention to himself.

John 7:11 – “So the Jews were seeking Him at the feast” – The Jews were the religious leaders who wanted to kill Him. John 7:1

Verses 12-13 – His Character: John 7:12

“There was much grumbling (disagreement) among the crowds concerning Him;”

Jesus is now fulfilling a prophecy given at His dedication: Luke 2:34.

Jesus Is A Good Man: “some were saying, ‘He is a good man’” – False, because Good men don’t claim to be God!

Jesus Is A Deceiver: “others were saying, ‘No, on the contrary, He leads the multitude astray.’” – False, because deceivers don’t perform miracles and the supernatural authenticating them to be God!

James 1:17

John 7:13

Matthew 10:28

Application:

1. Jesus Always Followed The Father’s Will Exactly. The Followers Of Jesus Also Have The Ability To Follow God’s Revealed Will Through His Word And The Power Of The Holy Spirit.
2. The Measure Of Any Church’s Success Is Not The Size Of Its Congregation, But The Depth Of Its Discipleship.
3. Nonbelievers Do Not Have The Capacity To Understand God’s Word Nor To Obey His Holy Spirit. The Time To Know God Is Right Now.
2 Corinthians 6:2