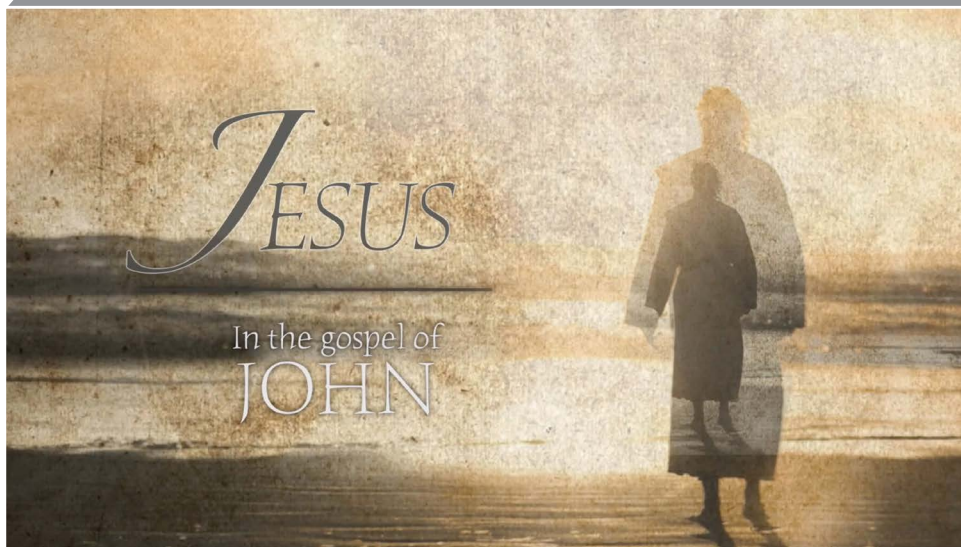


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Crowds

JOHN 7:25-52

Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill? And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ? But we know where this man comes from, and when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from." So Jesus proclaimed, as he taught in the temple, "You know me, and you know where I come from. But I have not come of my own accord. He who sent me is true, and him you do not know. I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me." (John 7:25-29)

SERMON NOTES:

Do you like crowds? Crowds have not changed that much through the centuries. Today, we have so many personalities and behaviors in a crowd. There were so many different personalities and behaviors in the crowds in Jerusalem. *There were hostile people, gossipy people, curious people, religious people, would-be disciple people, Temple police people, and people.*

The Feast of Tabernacles is coming to a close. As crowds gather for the last celebration of this festive week, Jesus is at the center of public muttering, He is at the center of private plotting, and He takes the opportunity to declare truth during a symbolic act.

I. Confusion in the crowd, John 7:25a.

- A. A crowd that _____ to Jerusalem.**
- B. A crowd _____ as Jesus taught (John 7:14).**
- C. A crowd _____, John 7:25b-26.**
- D. A crowd _____ in their tradition, John 7:27**
- E. A crowd _____ the truth, John 7:28-29.**

II. Spiritual steps in the crowd, John 7:30-31.

- A. A journey _____ the truth.**
- B. Some observers made _____.**

III. Hidden message to the crowd, John 7:32-36.

- A. Present for another 6 months.**
- B. Then God's great work of _____.**

IV. _____ to the crowd, John 7:37-39.

- A. Began with the _____ of _____, Exodus 17:1-7.**

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the Lord God is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation.” With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. Isaiah 12:2-3. John 4:14.

B. Reference to _____, John 7:37b.

Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price, Isaiah 55:1.

The Spirit and the Bride say, Come. And let the one who hears say, Come. And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price, Revelation 22:17.

C. Jesus _____ with great _____, John 7:37b.

1. Calling to “any man” = the _____ of salvation.
2. Calling to all who are _____ seeking refreshment.
3. Calling to any who want to be _____.

D. Jesus would satisfy in _____ and sustain us in _____, the promise of the Holy Spirit. (At Pentecost, 50 days after the resurrection). Acts 2:1.

V. Decision time for the crowd, John 7:40-52.

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