

The Brilliance of Jesus

John 7: 10-36

This morning, we are moving into a new section of our Yeshua series. Previously we have been in a division called **The Training of the Twelve**. After the religious leaders rejected Jesus as Messiah, he turned and focused on his disciples. He spoke in parables that confused the crowds while taking the time to explain them to his disciples.

Now we enter the next division called the **Opposition To The King**. Previously, Jesus's primary source of opposition was the Religious Leaders. Now, the common people follow the leadership of the Pharisees and Sadducees and begin to oppose and reject Jesus as well.

This morning we are going to glimpse the brilliance of Jesus on display. He so brilliantly handles a conflict at the Feast of Booths that it causes many who witness it to come to the conclusion that he is the Messiah.

The Religious Leaders Seek Jesus (John 7:10-13)

¹⁰ But after his brothers had gone up to the feast, then he also went up, not publicly but in private. ¹¹ The Jews were looking for him at the feast, and saying, "Where is he?" ¹² And there was much muttering about him among the people. While some said, "He is a good man," others said, "No, he is leading the people astray." ¹³ Yet for fear of the Jews no one spoke openly of him.

The Religious Leaders Claim That Jesus is an Illegitimate Teacher (John 7:14-15)

¹⁴ About the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and began teaching. ¹⁵ The Jews therefore marveled, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?"

Jesus's Answer (John 7:16-19)

¹⁶ So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. ¹⁷ If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. ¹⁸ The one who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood. ¹⁹ Has not Moses given you the law? Yet none of you keeps the law. Why do you seek to kill me?"

The Crowds Response (John 7:20-24)

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²⁰ The crowd answered, "You have a demon! Who is seeking to kill you?" ²¹ Jesus answered them, "I did one work, and you all marvel at it. ²² Moses gave you circumcision (not that it is from Moses, but from the fathers), and you circumcise a man on the Sabbath. ²³ If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well? ²⁴ Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

The People of Jerusalem Question How Jesus Appeared (John 7:25-27)

²⁵ Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill? ²⁶ 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? ²⁷ But we know where this man comes from, and when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from."

Jesus's Explanation (John 7:28-31)

²⁸ 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. ²⁹ I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me." ³⁰ So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. ³¹ Yet many of the people believed in him. They said, "When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?"

The Religious Leaders Attempt to Arrest Jesus (John 7:32-36)

³² The Pharisees heard the crowd muttering these things about him, and the chief priests and Pharisees sent officers to arrest him. ³³ Jesus then said, "I will be with you a little longer, and then I am going to him who sent me. ³⁴ You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come." ³⁵ The Jews said to one another, "Where does this man intend to go that we will not find him? Does he intend to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks and teach the Greeks? ³⁶ What does he mean by saying, 'You will seek me and you will not find me,' and, 'Where I am you cannot come'?"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Voice of the Martyrs - This month's action pack items are bath towels, washcloths, and antiseptic wipes.

Children's Ministry - Volunteers are still needed in the nursery and toddlers. Contact Billie Phipps for more information, billie@gccramona.com.

Women's Bible Study - Journey Through The Bible, led by Cathy Nelson begins December 28th. For more information, contact Cathy Nelson cnelson906@gmail.com.