

CLEARING UP THE CONFUSION

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WHAT IS THIS GUY TALKING ABOUT?

JOHN 7:14-36

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1.0		14 About the middle of the feast Jesus went
1. See	(vv. 14-24)	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?" 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 false- hood. 19 Has not Moses given you the law? Yet none of you keeps the law. Why do you seek to kill me?" 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 cir- cumcise a man on the Sabbath. 23 If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so
2. Know	(25.21)	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?
	(vv. 25-31)	24 Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment." 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." 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?" 32 The Pharisees heard the crowd muttering these things
3. Sieze	(vv. 32-36)	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

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- 1. **Read Romans 1:22-24**. As you have shared the gospel with others, how have you seen unbelievers to have a problem not only with their mind/understanding but also with their heart/will? Should this affect how you share the gospel? How so? (Hint: read Romans 1:16-17)
- 2. **Read John 7:18**. What are some ways you may be tempted to seek your own glory instead of God's? How do you think that could cloud your judgment with what is right or wrong and true or untrue?
- 3. How have you seen problems in theology lead to problems in life whether in your own life or in our culture?
- 4. **Read 2 Corinthians 6:1-2**. What are some factors in your life that may contribute to you losing a sense of urgency in the task of evangelism? How can we work to constantly maintain an eagerness to share the gospel?
- 5. What are some gospel opportunities that you want to prayerfully pursue this week?

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Morgan, Christopher and Robert Peterson. The Deity of Christ. Crossway, 2011.

Packer, J.I. Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God. IVP Books, 2009.

Tozer, A.W. The Knowledge of the Holy. HarperOne, 2009.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray that we would always genuinely seek God's glory instead of our own.

Pray that we would have greater urgency in evangelism.

Pray that we would see people turn from sin and trust Christ before it is too late. Pray for our AWANA program as it starts this week – ask that kids would be impacted

for eternity.

Pray for families and schools in our area as kids for "back to school" – whatever that may look like.

REVIVAL FROM THE BIBLE READING

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Date	O.T.	Psalms	N.T.	Gospels	
8/31/2020	Proverbs 1-3	Psalm 104:10-18	Luke 16:1-13	1 Timothy 5:17-25	
9/1/2020	Proverbs 4-7	Psalm 104:19-28	Luke 16:14-18	1 Timothy 6:1-21	
9/2/2020	Proverbs 8-11	Psalm 104:29-35	Luke 16:19-31	2 Timothy 1:1-18	
9/3/2020	Proverbs 12-14	Psalm 105:1-11	Luke 17:1-10	2 Timothy 2:1-13	
9/4/2020	Proverbs 15-18	Psalm 105:12-22	Luke 17:11-19	2 Timothy 2:14-26	
9/5/2020	Proverbs 19-22	Psalm 105:23-33	Luke 17:20-37	2 Timothy 3:1-17	