



The Gospel of John

Session Fifteen: The People's Divided Opinions on Jesus

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES AND JESUS'S TEACHING

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 7:25-44

1. **KNOWING JESUS THROUGH HIS _____ AND _____**

John 7:25-36

2. **KNOWING JESUS THROUGH _____ AND THE _____ OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

John 7:37-39

3. **KNOWING JESUS THROUGH THE _____ OF THE _____**

John 7:40-44

APPLY

What needs to shift in your life this week (how you start or end your day, what you watch or listen to, those you spend intentional time with) to stay connected with Christ who quenches our spiritual thirst?

READING PLAN

- Monday- John 7:25-27
- Tuesday- John 7:28-31
- Wednesday- John 7:32-36
- Thursday- John 7:37-39
- Friday- John 7:40-44

In our prior lessons, we have touched on "living water" and "bread of life," both of which God blessed Israel with as tools in His rescue plan. Read Psalm 118:25-26 and reflect on how Jesus is both bread and water to us in our own salvation.



LOOKING TO NEXT WEEK...

LESSON #16

JESUS AND THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

JOHN 7:45-53

THE LESSON AT A GLANCE

This week as we wrap up chapter 7 of the book of John, we'll examine how three sets of people—the temple guards, the Pharisees, and Nicodemus—responded to Jesus's teaching. We'll examine the bullying/persecution that the Pharisees used to silence both the temple guards and Nicodemus in reaction to their growing faith.

As we discuss the idea of persecution, we can and should reflect on ways we might experience conflict at work, school, or among family relationships as we follow Christ. We should also consider other places in the world where Christians are experiencing intense persecution, and take time to pray, not only for our needs, but for the global church. How can we be an encouragement or advocate for others who are suffering for the name of Jesus? What practical ways can we be a blessing to those who are coming to Christ in hard circumstances?

THE MAIN IDEA

The religious leaders maintained their opposition to Jesus and attempted to arrest Him, setting up a stark contrast between those who encountered Christ and believed and those who rejected Him.

QUESTIONS TO EXPLORE

What difference does believing in Christ, rather than dismissing Him, make in your day?

