PLEASANT VIEW PROCLAIMER

February 16, 2025

Welcome!



"Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints! Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?"

Join us at 6:00pm for Part 3 of the lesson on "The Problem of Hell" from our "Why Should I Believe?" series

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Prayer List

Mark Russell's sister **Ina Sands** suffered a heart attack last week

Darlene Baxter is not feeling well

Pray for the missionaries in those areas we support, especially John Kachelman's work in the Ukraine

Continue to pray for: the Kirk family, the Paul family, James Gupton, the John Hayes family, Brian West family, Rebecca Brown, Donnie Garrett, Camille Brosky, those in Ukraine, and Bill Gillock

We invite everyone to join us Wednesday night at 7pm as we continue our study of Hebrews

Serving Today

Song Leader:

Steve Buchanan

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:30 am)

Scripture Reading:

Lowell Gregory

Prayer:

Jeff Baker

WORSHIP (10:30 am)

Scripture Reading:

Eddie Walker John 7:2, 37-29

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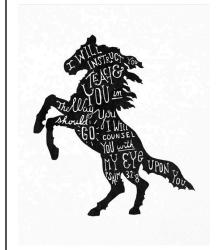
David Billingsley

Serve:

Jearmie Gupton Jerry Butterworth

Prayer:

Dwight Pennington



Service Times

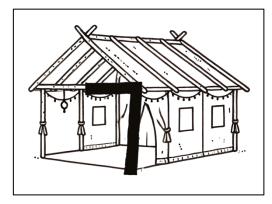
Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am Sunday AM Worship 10:30 am Sunday PM Worship 6:00 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 pm

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Outline of John 7

l.	D_	Regarding His Nature & Mission
II.	D_	in Galilee (1-9)
	a.	The Ridicule from His Brothers (1-5)
	b.	The Response from Jesus (6-9)
III.	D_	in Jerusalem (10-53)
	a.	The Reactions to the Savior

b. The Response from the Savior

D______ – Throughout this chapter, Jesus makes many statements about His nature and His mission. These statements all come as responses to what others are saying about Him:

(6-8)	My time has not yet come
(16-17)	My teachings come from the Father
(18)	I am seeking glory for the Father rather than myself
(19-24)	Use "right judgment" in spiritual matters (Gen 17:9-14; Lev 12:3)
(28-29)	I come from the Father, and you do not know the Father
(33-34, 36)	I'm going back to the Father, and you will not find Me

D_______(1-9) – The first of Jesus' statements (6-8) comes after ridicule from His brothers (James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas – Mt 13:55) in Galilee. The occasion is the annual Feast of Tabernacles (Booths), celebrated on the 15th day of the seventh month (Lev 23:33-36). This was one of three prescribed pilgrimage feasts when all Jewish males were to "appear before the LORD" (Deut 16:16). His brothers are prodding Him to go to Jerusalem to "show yourself to the world." John lets us know their suggestion is not based on an alignment with His true mission, because "not even His brothers believed in Him" (5). This is a reminder that we have the free will to choose what we are going to believe when confronted with the claims of Jesus (John 3:16). James later believed in Jesus and became a leader in the church at Jerusalem (Acts 15:13-21; Gal 2:9) after being confronted with the reality of the resurrection (1Cor 15:7).

D_________(10-53) – While Jesus does not follow the suggestion of His brothers, He does go to the feast "in private" (10). The Jews are looking for Him (11), because they still desire to "kill Him" (1, 25) after His healing at the Pool of Bethesda (5:18). Even though Jesus does not make His first public appearance until "the middle of the feast" (14), John reveals that He is a frequent topic of "muttering" among the people (12-13). Once Jesus begins teaching and making statements about Himself, there are many different reactions from the Jews. It is within this context that Jesus makes His final declaration on the "last day of the feast":

(37-38) "If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'"

Add to the context that the Feast of Tabernacles included a daily procession of priests from the temple to the Pool of Siloam, from which they drew water that was poured out at the altar. This was accompanied by the recital of **Isaiah 12:3**: "With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation." What Jesus is doing here is drawing a line in the sand and explaining that for one to accept Him, they must believe in Him. Remember that believing in Jesus means that one believes in His claims AND is committed to living for Him! As John adds, those who believe in Him are the ones who will receive God's Spirit (39; Acts 2:38; Rom 8:9-11).