

Who is This Jesus?

John 7:1-52 (Series: Walking with Jesus)

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IV. Signs of Jesus' identity (6:1-71)

V. _____ over Jesus' identity (7:1-52)

A. Jesus' _____ (v. 1-9)

B. The _____ of Jewish people (v. 10-31)

C. The _____ (v. 32-36)

D. Jesus _____ (v. 37-52)

1. Jesus said He satisfies _____ (v. 37-39)

a. "Come to me and _____" (v. 37-38)

1.) "_____ in me"

2.) Out of the believing "will flow _____ of living water."

b. Jesus referred to the _____ who would be given after Jesus was glorified (v. 39)

2. The people _____ (v. 40-44)

a. Some said, "This really is the _____." (v. 40)

b. Some said, "This is the _____." (v. 41a)

c. Some _____ Him as not fulfilling prophecy correctly (v. 41b-43)

d. Some wanted to _____ Jesus (v. 44)

3. Temple guards respond (v. 45-52)

a. They did not arrest Jesus (v. 45-46)

1.) Reporting back to their religious leaders (v. 45)

2.) "No one ever spoke like this man!" (v. 46)

b. Religious experts condemn (v. 47-52)

1.) "Have you also been deceived?" (v. 47)

2.) The authorities and Pharisees have not believed in Jesus (v. 48)

3.) "The crowd... is accursed" (v. 49)

4.) Nicodemus (one of the experts) defends Jesus (v. 50-52)

The Takeaway

- Have you found that soul quenching living water that comes from _____ in Jesus?
- If so, are you becoming a _____ of that _____ water that flows to others who need it?
- How will you respond to Jesus?

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VII. **Confusion** over Jesus' identity (7:1-52)

- A. Jesus' **brothers** (v. 1-9)
- B. The **general population** of Jewish people (v. 10-31)
- C. The **Pharisees** (v. 32-36)
- D. Jesus **clarifies** (v. 37-52)
 4. Jesus said He satisfies **thirst** (v. 37-39)
 - a. "Come to me and **drink**" (v. 37-38)
 - 1.) "**Believe** in me"
 - 2.) Out of the believing "will flow **rivers** of living water."
 - b. Jesus referred to the **Holy Spirit** who would be given after Jesus was glorified (v. 39)
 5. The people **respond** (v. 40-44)
 - a. Some said, "This really is the **Prophet**." (v. 40)
 - b. Some said, "This is the **Christ**." (v. 41a)
 - c. Some **reject** Him as not fulfilling prophecy correctly (v. 41b-43)
 - d. Some wanted to **arrest** Jesus (v. 44)
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- If so, are you becoming a **river** of that **living** water that flows to others who need it?
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Pastor's Note: John 7 describes the confusion over Jesus' identity. In the middle of that, Jesus clarifies to His audience (and John clarifies to his readers sixty years later) not just who He is, but also what He came to do. The question, "Who is This Jesus?" is really more about what He does in, for, and *through* the believer, than it is about His identity.