

Women's Bible Study

John 7:1-52

1. Why did Jesus' brothers want Jesus to go to Judea? How could they see the works of Jesus and believe them but not have genuine faith? See John 10:25-26 and Mark 8:17-21.
2. Instead of performing miracles at the Feast, Jesus teaches in secret. What does this teaching (v.16-18) show about Jesus and his heart's motivation? Contrast Jesus' heart with your own. Do we live for our own glory at times rather than God's glory?
3. Why did Jesus bring up the law in v.19? See Romans 8:3-4 and Galatians 5:1-6.
4. In reading the doubts that the Jews/Pharisees were having about Jesus, we can see that they are missing the big picture. In verses 28-29 and 37-39 Jesus is redirecting them. What are some ways we get distracted from the big picture of Jesus' purpose in our lives?
5. Jesus talks about the spirit in v.37 and 39. Why is it significant that Jesus is talking passionately about the Spirit on the last day of the feast? What is significant about the words "anyone" and "whoever" and how is the visualization of streams of living water meaningful to the Jews? See Isaiah 12:2-3 and Isaiah 44:3-4.
6. After hearing Jesus, some people wanted to seize him. Why did they fail? What hope does this bring to us when we know that God is sovereign over the plans of man? See Psalm 33.