

## Gospel of John: The Glories of Christ: John 7:25-36

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### **Jesus: Was He Crazy**

#### **John 7:25-26**

*Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill?"<sup>26</sup> 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?*

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#### **Isaiah 50:7-9**

*<sup>7</sup> But the Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame. <sup>8</sup> He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. <sup>9</sup> Behold, the Lord God helps me; who will declare me guilty? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.*

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#### **Acts 4:31**

*And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.*

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### **Jesus: Is He the Christ**

#### **John 7:27-31**

*<sup>27</sup> But we know where this man comes from, and when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from."<sup>28</sup> 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. <sup>29</sup> I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me."<sup>30</sup> So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. <sup>31</sup> Yet many of the people believed in him. They said, "When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?"*

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**Micah 5:2**

*But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah, who are too little to be among the clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel, whose coming forth is from of old, from ancient days.*

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**Matthew 10:34-36**

*“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. <sup>35</sup> For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. <sup>36</sup> And a person's enemies will be those of his own household.*

**Jesus: Reassures Calm****John 7:32-36**

*The Pharisees heard the crowd muttering these things about him, and the chief priests and Pharisees sent officers to arrest him. <sup>33</sup> Jesus then said, “I will be with you a little longer, and then I am going to him who sent me. <sup>34</sup> You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come.” <sup>35</sup> 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? <sup>36</sup> What does he mean by saying, ‘You will seek me and you will not find me,’ and, ‘Where I am you cannot come’?”*

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**Romans 7:7-11**

*<sup>7</sup> What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, <sup>8</sup> as it is written, “God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day.” <sup>9</sup> And David says, “Let their table become a snare and a trap, a stumbling block and a retribution for them; <sup>10</sup> let their eyes be darkened so that they cannot see, and bend their backs forever.” <sup>11</sup> So I ask, did they stumble in order that they might fall? By no means! Rather, through their trespass salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous.*

**John 8:21**

*So he said to them again, “I am going away, and you will seek me, and you will die in your sin. Where I am going, you cannot come.”*

**John 14:1-6**

*“Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. <sup>2</sup>In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? <sup>3</sup>And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. <sup>4</sup>And you know the way to where I am going.” <sup>5</sup>Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” <sup>6</sup>Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.*

**Application: Follow up questions.**

- Where do you need to be bold with your words?
- What keeps you from being bolder with your words?
- What in the Bible do you wish you knew better?
- Jesus is called Prince of Peace but the thoughts of Him have brought about division, what are issues that divide the church/society today when it comes to Jesus?
- Do you believe that Jesus really is the only way to heaven?
- Are you confident enough to state that Jesus is the only way?

**Action:**

- Speak boldly for Christ.
- Seek to understand more about the Bible and who Jesus is.
- Pray for those you need to share the Gospel with, that they would be open to hearing.