

John pt15 - (7:1-29)

Christ and the Feast of Tabernacles

1. John 7:1-9– Unbelief and the feast of tabernacles
 - a. The rejection of Christ – John 7:1;7:5 (5:16,18; 6:66, 70)
 - b. Bullinger’s Appendix 119 – Four ministry stages in the gospels
 - c. Feast of tabernacles – It’s place in the prophetic calendar
 - i. The tabernacle of God with men – Rev 21:3
 - ii. The fulfillment of the covenant - Lev 26:9-11; Eze 37:25-28
 - iii. The Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee- Isa 12:6

2. John 7:10-13 – Confusion at the Feast
 - a. Is Jesus a liar? (Lunatic? Lord?) – Apologetics and their failure
 - b. Fear of the Jews – John 9:19-22; 12:42; 20:19
 - i. Confession before men –Mat 10:32
 - ii. What the Jews needed to do - Rom 10:10

3. John 7:14-24 – Jesus teaches the doctrine of God
 - a. “Having never learned” – Luke 2:46-47; Heb 5:8 → John 7:16
 - i. Jesus in the form of a man – Phil 2:6-7
 - b. “do his will” – John 6:29
 - c. John 7:20-24 – Jesus rebukes the Jews for righteous judgment
 - i. The straining at a gnat - Matt 23:23-24 – law still in place
 - d. Healing of the man on the Sabbath → John 5:9

4. John 7:25-29 – Dispute over Jesus’ identity
 - a. They identify Jesus as the ‘marked man’ – 7:25
 - i. They just denied it in verse 7:20
 - ii. His bold speech proved him – Mat 7:28-29; John 5:20
 - b. Do the rulers know? - 7:26 – No, they have stumbled Psalm 118:22
 - i. Verse 25 is read at the feast of tabernacles even today
 - c. The origin of Christ – fundamental issue: the virgin birth – Luke 2:33
 - i. 7:28-29 – the clear answer of Jesus (John 10:24)
 - d. The “hour” – John 7:30; 7:44-46