

# Theology of John's Gospel

The word came from heaven to accomplish His work on earth so that we who are on earth can have a home in heaven

"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name." ~John 20:31

#### Gospel of John Ch. 7: "Jesus Teaches at the Festival of Tabernacles"

### **Opening Prayer**

Dear Heavenly Father,

Thank you for bringing us together in your name.

Bless our time together as we seek to be more like the image of Christ.

We know that your word is trustworthy and true. Open our hearts and minds to the wisdom of your word. Let your truth guide our thoughts, words and actions daily so that we can share it with those we encounter. We ask these things in the matchless name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.

# **Study Guide Group Questions: John 7:1-52**

1) What is the Feast of Tabernacles?

2) Jesus had remained in His home region of Galilee because the Jewish leaders in Judea wanted to kill Him. What advice did His brothers give to Him at this point (see verses 3-5)?

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3) Typically, those from the towns that were going to the feasts in Jerusalem would travel there together in large caravans. Why did Jesus choose to go to the feast "in secret" and when it was already underway (see verses 10-13)?	
4) Jesus was referring to His imminent death when He told the people He would be with them just a little while longer. How did the people misinterpret His words? What did they think Jesus was planning to do (see verses 33-36)?	

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	How did confusion over Jesus' birthplace keep some people from believing that He was the bromised Messiah (See verses 41-43)?

# **Closing Prayer**

May the LORD bless us and keep us.

May the LORD make His face shine upon us and be gracious to us.

May the LORD lift up His countenance towards us and give us His peace,
The kind of peace that can only come from the Prince of Peace,
Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Amen.