

L I F E I N H I S N A M E

John 7

Week 7

Day 1

PRAY: Settle your heart in this place of refuge in the Lord and His word. Pray and ask Him to build your faith in believing in His name, by the entrance of the light of His word. (Psalm 119:130)

READ: John 7:1–10

WRITE:

Motive is everything. Based on what God's word reveals about the condition of Jesus' brothers' hearts in v. 5, write what you think their true motive was in asking Jesus to go to Judea to reveal Himself. _____

APPLY:

1. His brothers' taunting did not cause Jesus to waver. What did Jesus repeat twice in vv. 6, 8 that showed His trust in His Father's timing and purpose for His life? _____

2. Have you had family or friends make things difficult for you because you follow Christ? What can you learn from Christ's response to these situations? _____

Meditate on the following scriptures and expound on what God is speaking to you through them. Lamentations 3:25, Isaiah 40:31, Psalm 27:14 _____

Day 2

PRAY: As you pause to take time in God's word, ask Him to fulfill the purpose of His word in your life today.

READ: John 7:10–31

WRITE:

In v. 18, Jesus proclaims that He does not seek His own glory, but He seeks to make the glory of God known. In v. 26, the people question if the rulers actually know that Jesus is the Christ because they do not seize Him. Write about what Jesus passionately cries out in verses 28 and 29 about what these people know and what is true. _____

APPLY:

1. God's plans cannot be thwarted. No man can come against what God has spoken and determined; we call this God's sovereignty—absolute control over all things. Expound on this thought from this area of scripture and as it culminates in v. 30. _____

2. How does this truth set your heart at rest concerning the issues of life we may face from day to day?

Day 3

PRAY: Ask the Father to show you the truths in His word.

READ: John 7:32–39

WRITE:

1. In vv. 37–39, Jesus makes a great proclamation on the great day of the feast. This proclamation would remind those who heard Him of one of the daily rituals of the feast in which a priest would draw water from the pool of Siloam and pour it out on the altar, signifying God's provision of water in the desert in times past. Jesus speaks to the need of those who are thirsty and relates God's provision of a new type of water. Look again at verse 38 and write what He calls this water. _____

2. Where does He say this water will flow from that signifies that this is a spiritual type of water? _____

3. Who is the person that Jesus says will have this water? _____

4. In verse 39, who are we told this living water is? _____

APPLY:

The provision of the Holy Spirit at the coming of the Messiah was prophesied in Joel 2:28-29. In John 7:37–39, Jesus speaks of the Holy Spirit as an abundant source of rivers of living water. Write about the blessing this abundant source of living water is to be considering as well Galatians 5:22-23 and Ephesians 5:18–21.

Day 4

PRAY: Ask for understanding as you read God's word today.

READ: John 7:37-52

WRITE:

1. Amidst all the different responses in this area of scripture to Jesus' proclamation, what do you notice about Nicodemus' response in vv. 50-51? _____

2. How are his fellow Pharisee's quick to respond to him? _____

APPLY:

Despite Nicodemus' standing as a Pharisee, he could not help the conviction in his spirit. Write about your conviction as to who Jesus is. _____

Pray and ask the Holy Spirit for boldness and bravery to be able to share this conviction when you are asked to give a reason for the hope you have in Christ.

Day 5

PRAY: Ask the Lord to confirm and concrete the things you have learned thus far in Chapter 7.

READ: John 7

WRITE:

What grabs your attention here in this area of scripture? Write about that here. _____

APPLY:

Jesus spoke these words on earth to those around Him, while at the same time purposing these words for our hearts today in His word. What has He spoken to you from this chapter that you can carry with you this week and continue to meditate on? _____

