

SERIES: Gospel of John
Where Do You Stand With Jesus?
John 7:25-31

The Confusion of the Crowd (7:25-27)

- See the **Fearless** courage of Jesus.
 - Until God is finished with you, you are **immortal**.
 - When God is finished with you, you will be **eternal**.
- See the **Faulty** conclusions of the Jews.
- Big Question #1: *Who do you say Jesus is?*

The Claim of Christ (7:28-29)

- Jesus **speaks** for the Father.
 - If you reject Jesus, you reject **God**.
 - If you reject Jesus as God's Son, it means...
 - You do not **know** God. (John 8:19)
 - You do not **honor** God. (John 5:23)
 - You do not **love** God. (John 5:42-43)
 - You do not have God as your **Father**. (John 8:42)
- Jesus was **sent** by the Father.
 - Only Jesus truly **knows** the Father.
 - Only Jesus can make the Father **known**.
- Big Question #2: *Where do you think Jesus came from?*

The Conversion of Christians (7:30-31)

- Christ always **divides** people.
 - Jesus is the most **loved** man who ever lived.
 - Jesus is the most **hated** man who ever lived.
- Christ is able to **deliver** believers.
 - Allegiance to Jesus will mean **alienation** from the world.
 - Faith in Jesus will mean **freedom** from the world.
- Big Question #3: *What will you do with Jesus?*

"I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: 'I'm ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don't accept His claim to be God.' That is the one thing we must not say. A man who said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic—on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg—or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God: or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to."

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