John Chapter 7 Discussion Questions

1. John 7:1-24 Jesus at the Feast of Booths/Tabernacles

* Comprehension: (What does it say?)

Who are the main characters? Where does this take place?

What Jewish festival was near? Who is going to it?

* Interpretation: (What does it mean?)

What is the reaction of the people at Jerusalem to Jesus?

What is Jesus' response to those questioning him? Was He bold or timid?

Did Jesus unite or divide the people?

* **Application**: (How do I apply this to my life?)

Jesus went to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Booths or Tabernacles? Which holiday do you enjoy the most and why?

Even today when the name of God or Jesus comes up and it divides families and groups. How should you respond?

2. John 7:25-36 Can This Be the Christ?

* Comprehension: (What does it say?)

Who did the people think Jesus was?

Why did the chief priests want Jesus arrested?

* Interpretation: (What does it mean?)

Why did the people have trouble believing Jesus was the Christ/Messiah?

Why do people today have trouble believing in Jesus?

Read verses 7:6, 8, 30 about Jesus' time or hour had not yet come. Do you think there is such a thing as divine timing?

What did Jesus mean when He said, "You will seek me and you will not find me," and "Where i am you cannot come." (vv.33, 36)

* **Application:** (How do I apply this to my life?)

Do you think you have ever experienced a divine appointment? Have you ever tried to hurry God's calendar? Have you ever drug your feet on something He was asking you to do?

3. John 7:37-53

* Comprehension: (What does it say?)

When does this take place?

What invitation does Jesus make to the crowd? (vv. 37-38)

How were the people divided by His invitation?

* Interpretation: (What does it mean?)

How do you think people would respond to an invitation like that today? Do you think the offer still stands? When was the last time you heard this invitation?

* Application: (How do I apply this to my life?)

In light of who Jesus is and what he said, what should my response or action be? Will you be bold enough to share your faith with someone this week?