Small Group Questions | Everybody's Talking | John 7:1-24



In today's passage different groups of people are talking about Jesus. One of those groups is His family. Jesus' brothers grew up with Him and saw Him perform miracles. Another group is the religious leaders of the day who saw Jesus heal a lame man. Then there's the crowd who has secondhand information about Jesus. The common thread among these different groups is that they are all confused about who Jesus really is. Everybody is talking about Jesus, but no one seems to have truthful information about who He is. They are divided, but Jesus reveals the truth to them.

- 1. Neal shared about the different circles of people in our lives. These circles could include our neighbors, family, church, or colleagues at work. Share about how you interact with some of the groups of people in your life.
- 2. **Read John 7:1-10**. We read that Jesus' brothers we're completely confused about who Jesus was. They wanted Him to go to the festival to regain His following. Share about a time you wanted Jesus to do something that was for your benefit.
- 3. **Read John 7:11-13**. In this portion of Scripture, we read how the Jewish leaders and the crowd were confused about who Jesus was. Share about a time in your life when you were confused about Jesus and how you reacted in that situation.
- 4. Jesus begins to teach in the Temple about being sent by the Father. **Read John 7:14-19.** The crowd was amazed at Jesus' teaching. Jesus was clear that His teaching was not His own. How has Jesus' teaching changed your life?
- Jesus' teaching points us to doing the will of the Father. Read John 13:34-35, James 1:27, Hebrews 10:36, and 2 Peter 3:9. These verses point us to some of God's will. What is God's will for us here on earth?
- 6. Much of the pressure that came on Jesus resulted from Him healing the man on the Sabbath. **Read John 7:21-24**. Jesus used the example of healing the whole man to prove a point. Share about a time Jesus brought healing in your life.
- 7. Jesus teaches us that if you trust the Law, you will be judged by the Law. Jesus was teaching us a point; trusting in the Law makes a person a hypocrite. Have you ever trusted in the Law more than the saving power of Jesus?
- 8. Close your time in prayer. Pray for Jesus to continue to reveal His truth to you.