

MAIN POINT: There will always be varying views about who Jesus is, but Jesus makes it clear that there is living water available for the thirsty.

1. The confused question and debate

John 7:25-30, John 7:40-44

- “Is not this the man whom they seek to kill?”
- “But we know where this man comes from”
John 7:28-29
- Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the offspring of David, and comes from Bethlehem?

Matthew 16:13-15, Acts 17:19-21

2. The convinced state the obvious

John 7:31, John 7:45-52

- “Yet many of the people believed in him. When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?”
John 21:25

- The officers answered, “No one ever spoke like this man!”
Luke 24:32

“Will Jesus ever be surpassed? Nineteen hundred years have passed, and his equal has not risen. This is not true of the world’s other great ones. Every generation produces geniuses worthy to be compared with those who have gone before. It can be said of no one man, ‘He stands alone; he has no rival; no equal; no superior.’ But this is true of Jesus. Nineteen hundred years, instead of diminishing His greatness, have accentuated it.”

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3. The contrary conspire to kill

John 7:32-36, John 7:33-34, Matthew 12:22-24

“You will seek me and you will not find me. Where I am you cannot come.”

“Hell itself is truth discovered too late. It is unrelieved bitterness under the destructive hand of God. It is eternal regret without remedy and remorse without hope. That’s why there is weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. Hell is not where Christ is forgotten. It is where He is unavailable.”

John 7:37-39, Isaiah 55:1-3, Isaiah 6:6-7