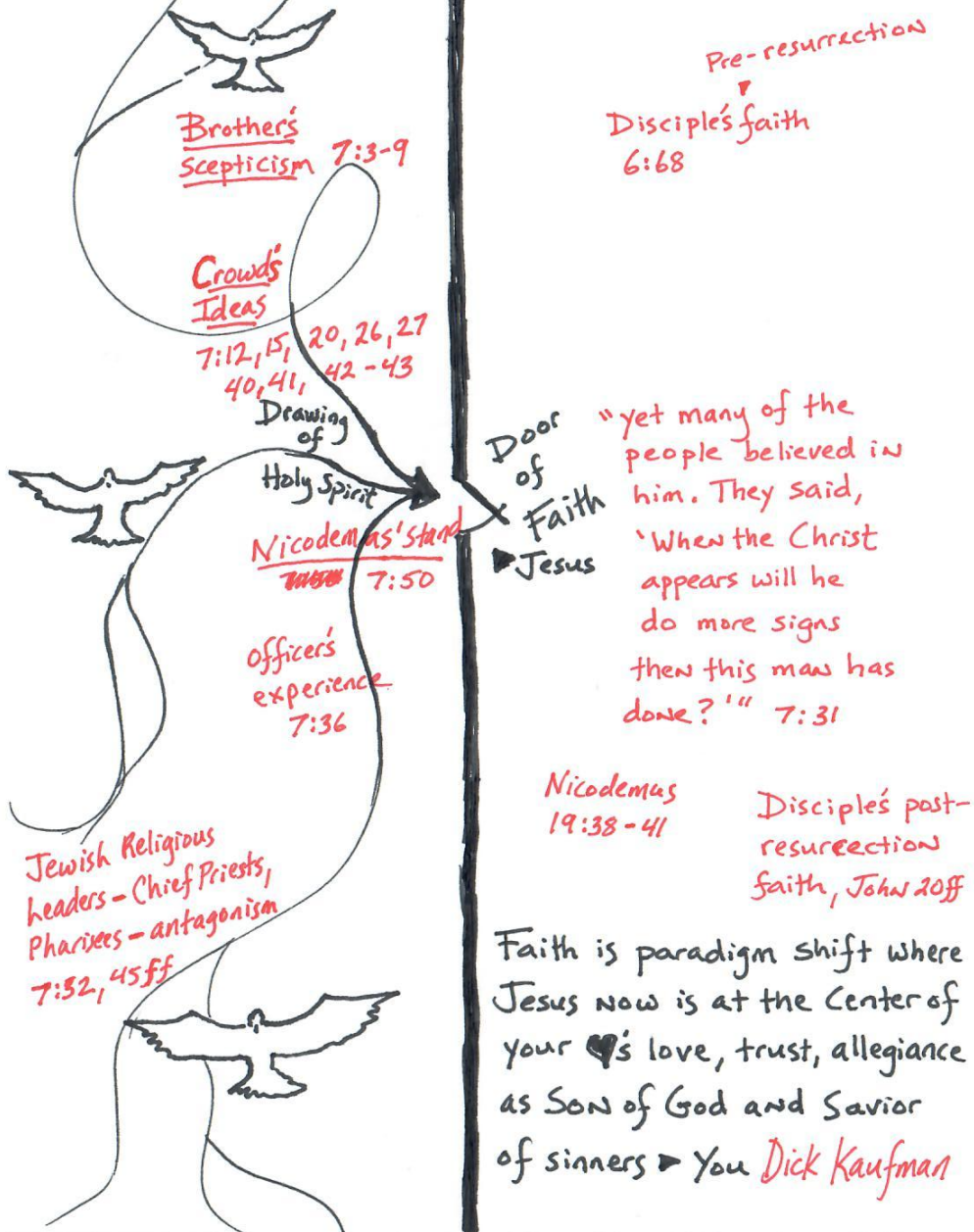


## ② What Faith in Jesus is



③ Testing + sifting of disciples reveals the implausibility of faith = required "paradigm shift"

➡ Still does today! "No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him." 6:44

① Why faith in Jesus matters.

☞ Context = Feast of booths/tabernacles

☑ Historic significance + present meaning  
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☑ Water pouring ceremony Carson

☑ Jesus' proclamation = he is the fulfillment of all that the Feast of Tabernacles anticipated!

Why does it matter to you today? Belief in Jesus is a doorway to spiritual life, the presence, filling and overflow of Holy Spirit. Apart from  $\Theta$ ,  $\Theta$ 's life you are dry, barren desert, panting (Psalm 42:1-2), wilting, dying. You are made for Holy Spirit to fill, overflow, fountain of life...

### ③ How to have faith in Jesus

☰☰ If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink

1. It is a coming to Jesus not of a physical journey, but a journey of your ♥, mind, will, love, allegiance to a real, historic, physical, resurrected person.

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2. You can, should begin this journey by opening your ♥, mind, etc. to God's will. "If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking of my own authority." 7:17

3. With open, teachable heart seek truth, use empirical method Nicodemus, Study the Scriptures 7:42 ▶ Jesus was from Bethlehem, Don't grasp too tightly your paradigm like the religious leaders

Do you thirst? Come and Drink!