

Special Message: Pastor Nate Garn

Message - The Son Of God Is Met With Hatred

<u>Sermon Big Picture</u> - As Jesus continues to reveal who He is, the response of many is not praise and belief, but hated and antagonism.

Scripture: John 7:1-24

Examination

- 1. The big question that runs throughout this passage is "who is Jesus?", how is this really the big question that everyone must answer?
- 2. Why is saying that Jesus was only a "good teacher" not a legitimate option?
- 3. Why is ironic that at the feast of tabernacles, which remembered the time God dwelt with Israel in the wilderness, that Jesus was not welcomed? (See John 1:14)
- 4. In V. 7-24, how do we see that the reason people hate Jesus is because they love evil?
- 5. Many were angered that Jesus spoke with the authority of God (V.16), how does this still happen as we preach and teach today?
- 6. Even Jesus brothers didn't initially believe in Him, but later we find that James and Jude did believe. How is this encouraging to you when your presentation of the gospel is rejected by others?

Application

- 1. No servant is greater than his master. What can we expect from the world as we proclaim the gospel? What forms may that take?
- 2. How does the fact that Jesus was misunderstood, rejected and even hated embolden you as you share the gospel?

Personal Discipline

Fear can paralyze us and prevent us from speaking up and telling others about Jesus. Pray for faith and boldness, and determine to speak up and make the gospel known. You never know who the Holy Spirit may bring from hostility to faith.