

Following God will cause you to be misinterpreted
 Jesus' main mission is love

CONTEXT - months after Bread of life
 affected - Greek leaders
 lost marginal followers
 Participate fully in me for eternal - abundant life

DONT MISS THE FOREST
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John 7:1-24

John 7:1-9 - After this Jesus went about in Galilee. He would not go about in Judea, because the Jews were seeking to kill him. Now the Jews' Feast of Booths was at hand. So his brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, that your disciples also may see the works you are doing. For no one works in secret if he seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, show yourself to the world." For not even his brothers believed in him. Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always here. The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify about it that its works are evil. You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, for my time has not yet fully come." After saying this, he remained in Galilee.

v.1-5 FAMILY - Got to the crowd of Pharisees
 what gave eggheads
 - no faith

v.6-9
 Jesus - it's not time for me to go there
 - You have Abraham, I have Abraham

Jesus concluded:
 God's love vs. personal preference
 worldly opinion vs. good in eyes of world

So much pressure to be great
 And when your life is your own,
 you can do much to get there

But following God will cause you to be
 misunderstood
 Prioritize effort (seek first kingdom)

John 7:10-13

John 7:10-13 - But after his brothers had gone up to the feast, then he also went up, not publicly but in private. The Jews were looking for him at the feast, and saying, "Where is he?" And there was much muttering about him among the people. While some said, "He is a good man," others said, "No, he is leading the people astray." Yet for fear of the Jews no one spoke openly of him.

Jesus is about to start the celebration
 Most: still deciding who he is
 Pharisees: he's trouble

Everyone has an opinion
 Everyone is controlled by fear
 Pharisees: lack of control
 People: lack of certainty
 ... except those who really know

Cliche - live for others of one
 But hold damn her,
 Jesus can either rule to
 why Pharisees
 unbelieving family
 Undermine risk

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 misunderstood
 his opinion - please God, not man

John 7:14-24

John 7:14-24 - About the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and began teaching. The Jews therefore marveled, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?" So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. The one who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood. Has not Moses given you the law? Yet none of you keeps the law. Why do you seek to kill me?" The crowd answered, "You have a demon! Who is seeking to kill you?" Jesus answered them, "I did one work, and you all marvel at it. Moses gave you circumcision (not that it is from Moses, but from the fathers), and you circumcise a man on the Sabbath. If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well? Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

v.14-18
 God sent me - Rabbi citation - so that along properly placed
 If you are aligned w/ God, will
 what I'm doing makes sense

Some of you were there Jesus

v.19 - Don't you have the law to guide you?
 But you want to murder me.
 Explain: circ ok, but holy not?
 Do not judge

FEAST OF BOOTHS
 LEV. 23:34-43

You want me to be all
 of these things, but if I'm
 all of that I can't be
 the presence of God dwelling
 - to help place among the
 booths

FORGIVE GOD IS A DISPOSITION TO OUR NEXT CHOICES
 BUT WORTH IT