

that you would believe

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

SERMON NOTES
TIMING IS EVERYTHING

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Remember, it's all about God!

JOHN 7:1-10 (NLT)
'After this, Jesus traveled around Galilee. He wanted to stay out of Judea, where the Jewish leaders were plotting his death. ²But soon it was time for the Jewish Festival of Shelters, ³and Jesus' brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, where your followers can see your miracles! ⁴You can't become famous if you hide like this! If you can do such wonderful things, show yourself to the world!" ⁵For even his brothers didn't believe in him. ⁶Jesus replied, "Now is not the right time for me to go, but you can go anytime. ⁷The world can't hate you, but it does hate me because I accuse it of doing evil. ⁸You go on. I'm not going to this festival, because my time has not yet come." ⁹After saying these things, Jesus remained in Galilee. ¹⁰But after his brothers left for the festival, Jesus also went, though secretly, staying out of public view.

2 Major Thoughts:

1. God wants His people to remember Him!

DEUTERONOMY 16:16 (NLT)
"Each year every man in Israel must celebrate these three festivals: the Festival of Unleavened Bread, the Festival of Harvest, and the Festival of Shelters. On each of these occasions, all men must appear before the LORD your God at the place he chooses, but they must not appear before the LORD without a gift for him."

2 PETER 1:12-15 (NLT)
¹²Therefore, I will always remind you about these things—even though you already know them and are standing firm in the truth you have been taught. ¹³And it is only right that I should keep on reminding you as long as I live. ¹⁴For our Lord Jesus Christ has shown me that I must soon leave this earthly life, ¹⁵so I will work hard to make sure you always remember these things after I am gone.

2 PETER 3:1-2 (NLT)
¹This is my second letter to you, dear friends, and in both of them I have tried to stimulate your wholesome thinking and refresh your memory. ²I want you to remember what the holy prophets said long ago and what our Lord and Savior commanded through your apostles.

2. God's will should be your primary concern!

VERSE 6 (NLT)
Jesus replied, "Now is not the right time for me to go, but you can go anytime."

VERSE 10 (NLT)
But after his brothers left for the festival, Jesus also went, though secretly, staying out of public view.

EPHESIANS 5:17 (NLT)
Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.

The Word of God is the will of God!

1 THESSALONIANS 4:3-5 (NIV)
³It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; ⁴that each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable, ⁵not in passionate lust like the heathen, who do not know God;

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18 (NLT)
¹⁶Be joyful always; ¹⁷pray continually; ¹⁸give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

COLOSSIANS 3:8-9 (NIV)
⁸But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices.

COLOSSIANS 3:12-14a (NIV)
¹²Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ^{14a}And over all these virtues put on love...

ROMANS 12:1-2 (ESV)
¹I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

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