**JOHN – WHO IS THIS JESUS?**

**“Living Water” John 7**

Jewish calendar centered around three major feasts:

 Feast of the Passover

 Feast of Pentecost

 Feast of Tabernacles

John 7 centers around the Feast of the Tabernacles,

 Which commemorates the wilderness journey.

 Specifically, God’s provision during the journey,

 And even more specifically, His giving them water.

There are three time divisions within the chapter:

Verses 1-10 = Before the Feast

Verses 11-36 = During the Feast

Verses 37-52 = Last Day of the Feast & After

1. **Before the Feast: Disbelief**

Many in the crowds followed and believed.

Yet others still didn’t trust nor believe.

 Among the unbelievers were Jesus’ brothers.

1. **During the Feast: Debate**

Jesus was constantly faced with those who questioned His works, teachings, and life.

1. Debate with the Religious Leaders
2. Debate with the Festival Crowd
3. Debate with the Local Jews
4. **Last Day of the Feast: Division**

At the climax of the ceremony on the last day,

Jesus cries out:

“If anyone thirsts, let him com to Me and drink”

Centers around four verbs:

1. THIRST – Desire

Condition to being satisfied or filled is thirst.

The problem with most people:

 Don’t understand spiritual thirst,

1. COME – Devotion

Must realize that the One who can satisfy thirst is the One to Whom you must come.

Christ, and Christ alone, can satisfy you.

1. DRINK – Decision

There is a point of decision for each of us.

If you want to be filled,

you must choose to drink.

 There must be faith - - - and belief.

1. FLOW – Dynamic

As evidence that you have drunk from Living Water, there will flow rivers of living water out from your heart.

We are not to be sponges nor reservoirs.

We are to be rivers of living water.