

The Heart of Confusion!

I. Jesus' Teaching Is In Accord with the Heart of God (14—18)

II. Jesus' Conduct Is In Accord with the Law of God (19—24)

III. Jesus' Origin is in Accord with the Prophecies of Scripture (25—31)

1) The People were confused because of Indecisive Leadership (25—26)

2) The People were confused because of Religious Tradition (27—29)

3) The People were confused because of People's Reactions (30—31)

IV. Jesus' _____ is in Accord with the _____ of God (32—36)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions and praying through the issues will help you further meditate upon God's Word in order to see the areas of your life that need change.

1. Read John 7:25—26. John records for us the Jerusalem crowd questioning among themselves the lack of response by their leadership. What does this teach us about leadership? What does silence and lack of action say? What should we learn from this?

2. How has 'religious tradition' affected you personally? What are some beliefs that you once held that after further study in the Scriptures were found to be false? What are the dangers with religious tradition? What good comes from religious tradition?

3. Look at John 7:30. What is the will of man in this verse? What is God's will? Which one triumphs? What does this teach you about man's will vs. God's will? Do you find comfort in this? Why or why not?

4. What are your thoughts in reference to those who "believed in Him" in verse 31? What is their basis of belief? Is John pointing out to us those who have a solid faith? Why or why not? What has this gospel taught us as it relates to faith and signs? (See verses 2:11, 23; 4:45, 48; 10:38)

5. What are some additional thoughts and/or application from this morning's lesson? What does this passage teach you about the nature of man and about the nature of God?
