MESSAGE NOTES

So That You May Believe and Have Life – The Gospel of John Part 21 – "Trusting God's Timing, Methods, and Will"

John 7:1-24

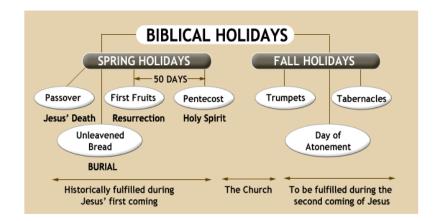
This morning as we continue our study of John's Gospel, we see an event in the life of Jesus that teaches us about trusting God's timing and methods, and obeying His will in our life.

PLACE FOR NOTES:

The story from John 7:1-9... Jesus' time to die for the sins of the world had "not yet come."

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When Jesus did lay down his life for you and for me to take on the consequences of our sin so we could experience God's forgiveness and the promise of a relationship with God here in this life and forever in heaven, it would be at the very moment God had predetermined. God's divine timing and methods to bring his forgiveness of sin and salvation to the world would not come until the next great feast in the Spring of the following year, which would be the festival of Passover. AND THERE WAS A REASON FOR THAT...



PLACE FOR NOTES:

John 7:10-24... What happens to Jesus at the Festival of Shelters (Booths or Tabernacles)...

PLACE FOR NOTES:

Being like Jesus means trusting God's timing and methods in our life AND obeying His will in our life.

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Taking It Home

We encourage you to take a few minutes today and this week to process this morning's message. These questions are designed for discussion with your family, a friend, mentor, spouse, and small group. They are also useful for self-reflection.

- 1. What stands out to you in these passages from the Bible? From the message?
- 2. What is difficult for you to understand or accept in these passages from the Bible? From the message?
- 3. What is God saying in these passages and through what we heard in the message about Himself? About people? About you?
- 4. What examples are there to follow, commands to obey, or promises to stand on from these passages in the Bible, and from what we heard in the message?