

REFLECTION

Questions

JOHN 7:1-13

1. Jesus' death would not happen yet because it was not His time (vv. 1-2, 11)
 - In what areas of my life am I tempted to force outcomes or rush God's timing instead of trusting that He has a perfect "hour"?
 - How does knowing that Jesus was not afraid of death—but simply submitted to the Father's timing—change the way I face opposition or threats?
 - Where have I seen God protect or delay something in my life that, looking back, was clearly "not yet His time"?
2. Jesus' brothers did not believe yet because it was not His time (vv. 3-8)
 - Have I ever pressured someone (or been pressured myself) to "show" faith or act more publicly before God had prepared the heart?
 - What does it reveal about human nature that even Jesus' own family struggled to believe until the right time?
 - How should this passage shape the way I pray for unbelieving family members or friends—patiently waiting on God's timing rather than demanding immediate results?
3. Jesus' mission continued because it was not His time (vv. 9-10, 12-13)
 - Even when circumstances looked dangerous or confusing, Jesus continued His work quietly and faithfully. Where is God calling me to keep serving even when the "results" or recognition are delayed?
 - How do I respond when people are divided about Jesus (or about me following Him)—some saying good things, some criticizing? Does the division make me shrink back or keep going?
 - What would it look like this week for me to live more fully in the freedom of "not yet His time"—neither forcing the future nor abandoning present obedience?

Closing reflection:

- Where in my life right now might God be saying, "Not yet... trust My timing"? How will I respond with faith rather than frustration?