

Sermon Notes: Genuine Faith in Christ | Pastor Josh | Wednesday Night Bible Study

I. Introduction

- **Topic:** Genuine Faith in Jesus Christ
- **Scripture:** John 7
- **Opening Prayer:** Seeking genuine faith and understanding through God's Word.

II. Key Themes

A. Reactions to Jesus' Teachings

- **John 7:** Mixed reactions from the crowd and religious leaders.
- **Significance:** Importance of genuine faith, not superficial belief.

B. Seeking Jesus with Genuine Faith

- **Superficial Belief:** Warning against seeking Jesus for temporary benefits.
- **John 7:17:** Understanding Jesus' teachings requires aligning our will with God's.

C. Trusting in God's Sovereignty

- **Aligning with God's Will:** Necessity of trusting God's plans and sovereignty.
- **Living Out Faith:** Encouragement to reflect genuine faith through actions.

III. Lessons and Applications

A. Reflecting on Motivations

- **Self-Examination:** Encouragement to reflect on reasons for following Jesus.
- **Genuine Relationship:** Pursuing a true relationship with Christ beyond immediate needs.

B. Embracing True Teachings

- **Commitment to Christ's Teachings:** Encouragement to embrace deeper truths of the Gospel.
- **Living Transformed Lives:** Applying Christ's teachings to transform lives and seek eternal life.

C. Remaining Steadfast in Faith

- **Commitment to Christ:** Encouragement to remain steadfast in faith amidst challenges.
- **Community Support:** Importance of supporting and encouraging one another in faith.

IV. Conclusion

- **Reflection on John 7:** Importance of seeking Jesus with genuine faith and commitment.
- **Call to Action:** Urging believers to deepen their faith, align their will with God's, and trust in His sovereignty.

Scriptural References

- **John 7**
- **John 7:17**
- **Proverbs 3:5-6**
- **Romans 12:2**