

In the Eye of the Storm!

Text: John 7:1-10

<u>Passage Summary</u>: As we survey the life and ministry of Jesus, one thing becomes increasingly clear; in the ______ of the storm, He knows where to

<u>180 Degree Truth #1</u>: See that not if, but when opposition comes, it is essential to _______a steadfast focus on _____! (7:1-10)

"No one who wants to become a public figure acts in secret. Since you are doing these things, show yourself to the world.' For even his own brothers did not believe in him."

John 7:4-5

"Isn't this the carpenter's son? Isn't his mother's name Mary, and aren't his brothers James, Joseph, Simon and Judas?" Matthew 13:55

"And they took offense at him. But Jesus said to them, 'Only in his hometown and in his own house is a prophet without honor.'" Matthew 13:57

Application: Recognize that when it comes to a steadfast focus on God, be mindful of His...

• _____! (v.1-10)

"The right time for me has not yet come; for you any time is right." John 7:6

"Dear woman, why do you involve me?' Jesus replied. 'My time has not yet come.'" John 2:4 See that when it comes to God's timing...

Be______ of His greater ______! (v.6-8)

"Therefore Jesus told them, 'The right time for me has not yet come; for you any time is right. The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify that what it does is evil.'" John 7:6-7

"For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me." John 6:38

Maintain a real time ______ to His _____! (v.9-10)

"Having said this, he stayed in Galilee. However, after his brothers had left for the Feast, he went also, not publicly, but in secret." John 7:9-10

 Remember:
 When it comes to a steadfast focus on God, what are you

 for; as those living in the last days, amidst all of the sin and compromise of a lost and dying world, God's ______ is clear...

"But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry." **2 Timothy 4:5**

<u>Core Conviction to Live By</u>: Resolutely determine to remain in the eye of the storm as the day of Christ's return draws near; ______ will be inevitable, but there is a quietness and a strength for those who know where to ______!

"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

1 Corinthians 15:58