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Timing and Authority

John 7:1-31

John uses time strategically in his gospel. Jesus' actions, teachings, and signs are undertaken when the time is correct. This reveals Jesus operates on a divine timeline and under divine authority. John 7 informs believers that we need to submit to Jesus' time and authority.

Additional Verses:

Isaiah 55

Galatians 4:4

Outline:

1. Believers submit to God's timing.

2. Believers submit to God's authority.

Study Questions:

1. What is Jesus' "time" in the Gospel of John? Why was it not "time" for Jesus to go to Jerusalem?

2. How has your time conflicted with God's time? What was the result?

3. Where does Jesus derive His authority? Why is Jesus' authority important? How does Jesus' authority play a part in our salvation?

4. Why is it difficult to submit to God's authority? Why does obedience come before knowledge?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?