## John 7:16-31 Jesus Teaches Openly at the Temple

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- [16] Jesus answered, "My teaching is not my own. It comes from him who sent me.
- [18] He who speaks on his own does so to gain honor for himself, but he who works for the honor of the one who sent him is a man of truth; there is nothing false about him.
- [19] Has not Moses given you the law? Yet not one of you keeps the law. Why are you trying to kill me?"
- [20] "You are demon-possessed," the crowd answered. "Who is trying to kill you?"
- [21] Jesus said to them, "I did one miracle, and you are all astonished.
- Yet, because Moses gave you circumcision (though actually it did not come from Moses, but from the patriarchs), you circumcise a child on the Sabbath.
- Now if a child can be circumcised on the Sabbath so that the law of Moses may not be broken, why are you angry with me for healing the whole man on the Sabbath?
- $^{ ilde{ ilde{2}4]}}$  Stop judging by mere appearances, and make a right judgment."
- At that point some of the people of Jerusalem began to ask, "Isn't this the man they are trying to kill?
- <sup>[26]</sup> Here he is speaking publicly, and they are not saying a word to him. Have the authorities really concluded that he is the Christ?
- But we know where this man is from; when the Christ comes, no one will know where he is from."
- Then Jesus, still teaching in the temple courts, cried out, "Yes, you know me, and you know where I am from. I am not here on my own, but he who sent me is true. You do not know him,

[29] but I know him because I am from him and he sent me."

[30] At this they tried to seize him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his time had not yet come.

[31] Still, many in the crowd put their faith in him. They said, "When the Christ comes, will he do more miraculous signs than this man?"