

John 7:1-31

Verses 1-10

What do Jesus' brothers advise Jesus to do here and why? What sort of Messiah would they like him to be? How much sympathy do you have with their PR agenda for Jesus?

What have they failed to take into account:

- A) about the world?
- B) about Jesus' own agenda and priorities?

Verses 11-31

What different reactions to Jesus do we see in this section?

Compare and contrast Jesus and the religious leaders:

- A) in how they teach (v15-18)
- B) in their attitude to the law (v19-24)

How does he reveal himself and expose their motives?

Thinking it through

What have we seen about the kind of Messiah Jesus is from this section?

We've seen a range of different reactions to Jesus here. Do you recognise those kinds of reactions today? Why do you think people react to Jesus like this?