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**Series: Christ the Logos – A Study of the Gospel of John**

**Sermon: Jesus Appointed by God**

**John 7:1-31**

**John 7:1-9 (ESV)** <sup>1</sup> After this Jesus went about in Galilee. He would not go about in Judea, because the Jews were seeking to kill him. <sup>2</sup> Now the Jews' Feast of Booths was at hand. <sup>3</sup> So his brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, that your disciples also may see the works you are doing." <sup>4</sup> For no one works in secret if he seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, show yourself to the world." <sup>5</sup> For not even his brothers believed in him. <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always here. <sup>7</sup> The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify about it that its works are evil. <sup>8</sup> You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, for my time has not yet fully come." <sup>9</sup> After saying this, he remained in Galilee.

**Jesus had an appointed time to go to the Cross.**

**John 2:4**, "My hour has not yet come"

**John 7:6**, "My time has not yet come"

**John 7:8**, "My time has not yet fully come"

**John 7:30**, "His hour had not yet come"

**John 8:20**, "His hour had not yet come"

**But by contrast:**

**John 12:23** The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified

**John 13:1**, When Jesus knew that His hour had come to depart out of this world to the Father

**John 17:1-2** <sup>1</sup> When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup> since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

**John 7:10-13 (ESV)** <sup>10</sup> But after his brothers had gone up to the feast, then he also went up, not publicly but in private.

<sup>11</sup> The Jews were looking for him at the feast, and saying, "Where is he?" <sup>12</sup> And there was much muttering about him among the people. While some said, "He is a good man," others said, "No, he is leading the people astray." <sup>13</sup> Yet for fear of the Jews no one spoke openly of him.

**Jesus was appointed to accomplish His Father's will.**

**John 7:14-24 (ESV)** <sup>14</sup> About the middle of the feast Jesus went up into the temple and began teaching. <sup>15</sup> The Jews therefore marveled, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?" <sup>16</sup> So Jesus answered them, "My teaching is not mine, but his who sent me. <sup>17</sup> If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. <sup>18</sup> The one who speaks on his own authority seeks his own glory; but the one who seeks the glory of him who sent him is true, and in him there is no falsehood. <sup>19</sup> Has not Moses given you the law? Yet none of you keeps the law. Why do you seek to kill me?" <sup>20</sup> The crowd answered, "You have a demon! Who is seeking to kill you?" <sup>21</sup> Jesus answered them, "I did one work, and you all marvel at it. <sup>22</sup> Moses gave you circumcision (not that it is from Moses, but from the fathers), and you circumcise a man on the Sabbath. <sup>23</sup> If on the Sabbath a man receives circumcision, so that the law of Moses may not be broken, are you angry with me because on the Sabbath I made a man's whole body well? <sup>24</sup> Do not judge by appearances, but judge with right judgment."

**Leviticus 19:18 (NIV)** "'Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.

**John 7:25-31 (ESV)** <sup>25</sup> Some of the people of Jerusalem therefore said, "Is not this the man whom they seek to kill? <sup>26</sup> And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ? <sup>27</sup> But we know where this man comes from, and when the Christ appears, no one will know where he comes from." <sup>28</sup> So Jesus proclaimed, as he taught in the temple, "You know me, and you know where I come from. But I have not come of my own accord. He who sent me is true, and him you do not know. <sup>29</sup> I know him, for I come from him, and he sent me." <sup>30</sup> So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come. <sup>31</sup> Yet many of the people believed in him. They said, "When the Christ appears, will he do more signs than this man has done?"