

## **Getting More from the Message – John 7:40-53**

## Community Group Questions – Week of October 19, 2025

**Getting Started**: Read this week's passage out loud & pray the Holy Spirit will help you understand. **Ice Breaker**: Have you ever been part of a church where there was a major division? What happened? How can **we** as a church avoid that?

1)	What is the difference between "Cultural Christianity" and true faith in Jesus Christ? Do you think there are more Cultural Christians or true Christians in our area?
2)	Before you became a follower of Jesus (if you are not yet, that is okay), how would you describe your attitude towards faith and Jesus? What were some things that moved you towards Jesus?
3)	Do you know anyone who fell away from the faith because God did not give them what they wanted? Why do we all need to be careful of that?
4)	People objected to Jesus Christ in many ways over many things. Why are we surprised when people object to our faith? How should we act when people object to our faith?
5)	Why do some people stay away from Jesus when He gets "too close?"
6)	Have you ever experienced a hyper-religious or hyper-spiritual person looking down on you? If yes, what was that like for you? Why must we avoid that ourselves?
7)	Read <u>Matthew 9:37-38</u> and <u>Philippians 4:13</u> out loud. Do you think God is trying to tell you something? If yes, would you like to share it with the group? (This is an important question!)
8)	Was there anything you wanted to ask or say to the group this week?
9)	Was there anything specific you think God wanted you to take away or change from this passage?
10	How can we pray for you in regard to what we studied this week? Other prayer requests are fine,

but we are also looking for a specific prayer request for you in regard to this week's passage.