

Sermon Series: Becoming Like Jesus God's Timing | **John 7:1-13**

Ohana Group Discussion Questions: Week of February 22nd, 2026

OVERVIEW

In John 7:1–13, Jesus refuses to act according to human pressure or public expectation, choosing instead to move in alignment with the Father's appointed time. While others debate, misunderstand, and speculate about Him, Jesus quietly demonstrates that obedience—not visibility—governs His mission.

OHANA TIME!

 **Icebreaker:** Are you usually early, exactly on time, or running late? **Or** Do you pack days in advance or the night before departure?

 **Activity:** Watch the new "Pastors Answer Ohana Questions" video together as a group! (Available on the website and KUC YouTube channel).

PRAYER

Pray: "Father, teach us to trust Your timing with patient faith and courageous obedience. Amen"

BIBLE: READ JOHN 6:32-40

1. In 7:1, why is Jesus staying in Galilee instead of Judea?
2. In verses 3–5, what do Jesus' brothers urge Him to do? What assumptions are they making about how and when Messiah should reveal Himself?
3. In verse 6, Jesus says, "My time has not yet here; for you any time will do." What contrast is He drawing between Himself and His brothers?
4. What does Jesus mean in verse 8 when He says, "I am not going up to this feast, for my time has not yet fully come," yet later He goes privately (v. 10)? How does this clarify that He operates according to the Father's timetable, not public expectation?
5. In verses 11–13, how is the crowd divided about Jesus? What does this reveal about the atmosphere surrounding Him?
6. Jesus refuses to act according to human strategy (public display, immediate influence). What does this teach us about the difference between visibility and obedience?
7. In verses 37-38, how does this climactic moment show that Jesus speaks boldly *when the Father's appointed time arrives?*

APPLICATION

1. When have you felt pressure—whether from others or from within—to move ahead of God's timing? What kind of pressure was it—external (family, church, career, culture), internal (fear, ambition, anxiety), or both? What factors helped you wait in trust, and what made patience difficult?
2. Why does trusting God's timing require both restraint and boldness? How can we discern when faithfulness means waiting quietly and when it means stepping forward courageously?