Greetings to the Church in Montreal from the church in Buffalo



Good bye dinner for Christophe & Florine Dehon

When Jesus Speaks

- 1. Why is He speaking?
- 2. What do we hear?
- 3. How do we respond?

Today God speaks in the Son

Hebrews 1:1-2a-- God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son,

WHEN GOD SPEAKS:

- 1. The universe is created, and order and purpose enter a chaotic situation (Genesis 1)
- 2. The mystery of God's eternal desire is revealed

Rom. 16:25-26 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long ages past, but now is manifested, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the eternal God, has been made known to all the nations, *leading to obedience of faith;*

1. Why is He speaking?

To be heard so that people may believe in Him & follow Him

Background

- 1. Feast of Tabernacles
- 2. Attendants
 - a. the people of Jerusalem
 - b. people from throughout Israel
 - c. Pharisees & priests

Jesus speaking in verses 1-24

"If anyone is willing to do His will, he will know of the teaching, whether it is of God or whether I speak from Myself. "He who speaks from himself seeks his own glory; but He who is seeking the glory of the One who sent Him, He is true, and there is no unrighteousness in Him. (v. 17-18)

The response to His speaking

²⁵ So some of the people of Jerusalem were saying, "Is this not the man whom they are seeking to kill? ²⁶ Look, He is speaking publicly, and they are saying nothing to Him. The rulers do not really know that this is the Christ, do they? ²⁷ However, we know where this man is from; but whenever the Christ may come, no one knows where He is from."

2. What did they hear?3. How did they respond?

Jesus' speaks 3 times in verses 25-53What is the people's response?

vv. 28-29

Then Jesus cried out in the temple, teaching and saying, "You both know Me and know where I am from; and I have not come of Myself, but He who sent Me is true, whom you do not know. I know Him, because I am from Him, and He sent Me."

The response – vv. 30-32

³⁰ So they were seeking to seize Him; and no man laid his hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come. ³¹ But many of the crowd believed in Him; and they were saying, "When the Christ comes, He will not perform more signs than those which this man has, will He?"

vv. 33-34

Therefore Jesus said, "For a little while longer I am with you, then I go to Him who sent Me. ³⁴ You will seek Me, and will not find Me; and where I am, you cannot come."

The response – vv 35-36

"Where does this man intend to go that we will not find Him? He is not intending to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks, and teach the Greeks, is He? ³⁶ What is this statement that He said, 'You will seek Me, and will not find Me; and where I am, you cannot come'?"

vv 37-39

Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. 38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water."

The response – vv 40-43

⁴⁰ Some of the people therefore, when they heard these words, were saying, "This certainly is the Prophet." 41 Others were saying, "This is the Christ." Still others were saying, "Surely the Christ is not going to come from Galilee, is He? 42 Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the descendants of David, and from Bethlehem, the village where David was?" 43 So a division occurred in the crowd because of Him. 44 Some of them wanted to seize Him, but no one laid hands on Him.

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