

TRUTH OR TRADITION
John 7:40-53

INTRODUCTION

The truth Jesus spoke conflicted with the traditions of His culture

I. CONFUSION AMONG THE CROWD

- A. SOME SAID JESUS WAS “THE PROPHET” (V 40)
- B. OTHERS SAID HE WAS “THE MESSIAH” (V 41)

II. CONTEMPT AMONG THE LEADERS

- A. THEY REBUKED THE OFFICERS WHO FAILED TO ARREST HIM
- B. THEY CONDEMNED THE COMMON PEOPLE
- C. THEY HATED JESUS

III. CONCERN AMIDST CONDEMNATION

- A. NICODEMUS VOICED CONCERN (V 50)
- B. THE PHARISEES ATTACKED NICODEMUS

CONCLUSION

We need to stand up for Jesus and our belief in Him

We must never let traditions blind us or silence us to THE TRUTH ABOUT JESUS