

Sermon notes

His Own Did Not Receive Him

John 7:1-24

1. The real Jesus has always produced a wide range of reactions... 1-52

"He's a good man" 12a

"He's a fraud" 5, 12b, 47-8

"He's amazing" 15, 26, 46

"He's dangerous, must be silenced" 1, 19, 30, 32

He could actually be the Christ! 26, 31, 41

He can't be the Christ! 27

"He's The Prophet" 40

"He's no Prophet" 52

*So is he not who he claims?
Maybe there's no way to really know?*

2. ...but the problem is with our judgement, not the evidence... v24

... we all naturally hate the light that Jesus shines on us 7:7, cf. 3:19-20

... we fear what people will think of us 7:13

...we don't choose to do God's will 7:17-23

3. ...after all, the evidence of his identity is actually compelling

...marvellous teaching 7:15; cf. 7:46

...marvellous miracles 7:21, 31; cf. 5:1-9

...multiple testimony (whose side is Moses on?) 7:22-23; cf. 5:31-47