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### **Who is Jesus?**

Would the ‘Jesus of their answers’ match the ‘Jesus of reality’?

- The festival of tabernacles.

### **Jesus’ incredible claim**

John 8:12, *“I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of light”.*

- Temple lighting ceremony
- From the OT
  - John 1:5, *“The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.”*
  - The Messiah’s coming.

### **The Pharisee’s reaction**

- Mocking
- they lack understanding
- they do not know the Father
- Unable to seize Jesus

### **The consequences**

Verse 21 he says, *“I am going away and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go you cannot come”* (and verse 24)

### **Another vital clue**

(v24) – *“I told you that you would die in your sins, if you do not believe that I Am, you will die in your sins”.* (and v 28)

He uses the name of God for himself (I AM)

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**For us today**

**1) Do You Follow Jesus?**

**2) Does Jesus Judge?**

John 8:15, “You judge by human standards; I pass judgement on no one”.

**3) The Son of Man**

Dan 7:13

Over morning Tea

“What does it mean to follow Jesus seriously in our world today?”

“What struggles do you find?”

“What joys are there?”