

Message on John 7:1-25

Revelation

Revelation is being shown things. Things are revealed to you that you couldn't know unless the one who knows what you want to know tells you. We look for revelation in two areas:

- (1) HOW TO live our life successfully.
- (2) WHAT IS worth living for?

WORTH LIVING FOR - is Jesus.

Jesus was giving revelation about Himself - that He is what is worth living for.

- *"I am the Bread of Life ...all who see me and believe in me shall have **eternal life**." (6:36,40)*
- He is revealing: *"In the beginning I AM - I already existed- I was with God - I AM God-I was in the beginning with God-I created everything there is. Nothing exists that I didn't make-Life itself is in Me-and My life gives light to everyone."*
(John 1:1-3 in the first person.)

Andrew Grigolia, a professor at Wheaton College and a teacher of Billy Graham, had 3 PHDs and was teaching at the University of Pennsylvania but he was not happy. One day he was having his shoes shined and the shoe shiner was very happy. Andrew asked him why? "Jesus, He loves me. He died so God could forgive my badness. He makes me happy."

This led to Andrew believing the revelation about Jesus and becoming happy as well.

A LIFE WORTH LIVING

Getting God's Wisdom.

The secret of living a worthy life is accepting revelation from God like Jesus did...and then doing and saying what was true.

- *"The Jewish leaders were surprised when they heard him. How does he know so much when he hasn't studied everything we've studied? So Jesus told them, I am not teaching my own ideas, but those of God who sent me. (7:16)*
- *"I assure you, the Son can do nothing by himself. He does only what he sees the Father doing, Whatever the Father does, the Son also does."*

John 5:19

- **We find the way** to a life worth living by seeking revelation from God. Sources of revelation are the Bible, the teaching of the church, shared insights of Christians and by meditation. Jesus commonly went to quiet places like the Mount of Olives to spend time hearing God. When we take some quiet time to think

about what's going on in our life and ask God to give us wisdom, we get good ideas. A side benefit is a healthy peace of mind.