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“Intense Faith”

John 7:25-52

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John's Theme  
“True faith”  
Jn. 20:30,31

“And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.”

# The Setting- At Jerusalem

...see v.10, 25



# Three Great Feasts for Every true follower of Jehovah:

Feast of Passover- Barley -Exodus -  
lamb



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Feast of Pentecost- Wheat-Exodus  
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## Background for Feast of Tabernacles-

The Feast of Tabernacles begins five days after Yom Kippur on the fifteenth of Tishri (September or October). It is a drastic change from one of the most solemn holidays in the year to one of the most joyous.

The entire feast lasted 8 days. (Lev.23:42; Neh.8:15,16). The law publicly read every seventh year at: (Deu. 31:10-12; Neh. 8:18) Customs observed including bearing branches of palms leaves, (Lev. 23:40; Rev. 7:9) Drawing water from the pool of Siloam (Is.12:3; Joh. 7:2; Joh.7:37-39) Singing hosannas (Ps.118:24-29; Mt.21:8; Mt.21:9) to commemorate.

446 priests and the same number of Levites would be involved. Service were the same every day, except that the number of bullocks sacrificed decreased from 13 to 7 by the 7 th day with a total of 70 offered...this represented the nations.

## Part #1- Jn. 7: 25-29

Then said some of the Jerusalem inhabitants, "Is this not He whom they are seeking to kill? 26 Yet behold, He speaks so publicly, and they say nothing *in reply* to Him. Do not those in authority know indeed that this is the authentic Christ (Messiah)? 27 Howbeit, while we see and perceived where this fellow comes from; however when the Messiah (Christ) comes, no one knows where He originates from." 28 Then Jesus cried out, as He was teaching while in the temple, with the words, "You both know Me, and you know where I came from. And I did not come from Myself. However He who dispatched Me is truthful, yet you do not know Him. 29 But I know Him, for I am from Him, and He commissioned (apostled) Me."

## Part #1- Jn. 7: 30-31

30 Then they endeavored to apprehend Him; but no one laid a hand on Him,

because His hour had not yet come.

31 And much of the crowd believed into Him, with the words, "When the Christ comes, will He do more signs than these which this Man has done?"



Pg. 1. John 2:4 Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come."

John 7:30 Therefore they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come.

John 8:20 These words Jesus spoke in the treasury, as He taught in the temple; and no one laid hands on Him, for His hour had not yet come.



P. 2. John 12:23 But Jesus answered them, saying, "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified. 27 "Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour.

John 13:1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.



P. 3. John 16:21 A woman, when she is in labor, has sorrow because her hour has come; but as soon as she has given birth to the child, she no longer remembers the anguish, for joy that a human being has been born into the world.

John 17:1 Jesus spoke these words, lifted up His eyes to heaven, and said: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son, that Your Son also may glorify You,



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## Part #2- Jn. 7: 32-36

32 The Pharisees heard the crowd murmuring these things concerning Him, and the Pharisees and the chief priests sent the Temple guard to arrest Him. 33 Then Jesus said to them, "Yet for a little time I shall be with you, and afterward I shall withdraw and return to Him who sent Me. 34 You will seek Me and not find Me, and where I am, there you will not be able to pass." 35 Then the Jews said among themselves, "Where does He intend to journey that we shall not find Him? Does He intend to travel to the Israel residents living among the Greeks (the Diaspora) and teach the Greeks *also*? 36 What is this word that He said, 'You will seek Me and not find Me.' and "Where I am you have no power or ability to come?"

## #1. Background for the Last Day of the Feast Jn. 7: 37

On the 8<sup>th</sup> or last day, pilgrims would leave booths, at dawn with a lulabh in his right hand (a myrtle and willow branch tied together) in the left hand was a ethrog (paradise apple) acc to some the forbidden fruit. The worshipers divided into three bands upon reaching the temple mount. One group would remain in the temple to attend the preparation of the morning sacrifice. Another band would go below Jerusalem where they cut down willow-branches and amidst the blast of the priest's trumpets they adorned the altar forming a leafy canopy over it. The third group would follow a priest who bore a golden pitcher out the water gate to the pool at Siloam where the pitcher was filled, and the priest so timed the return to the temple so that they would arrive just as the pieces of the sacrifice were being laid on the altar.

## #2 Background for the Last Day of the Feast Jn. 7: 37

A threefold blast of the trumpets welcomed the arrival of the priest who was returning with the water. Further symbolism of this feast, the public services closed with a procession round the altar by the priest, who chanted 'O then work now salvation Jehovah!' Here he was joined to another priest who carried the wine for the drink offering. Both would ascend the rise of the altar, and turn to the left where there were two silver funnels leading to the base of the altar. Into the east funnel, wine was poured, and at the same time into the west funnel the water was poured. Immediately after the pouring of water and wine, Ps 113-118 was chanted with responses to the accompaniment of the flute.

#3. As the Levites intone the first line of each Psalm, the people repeated it, while to each of the other lines they responded by Hallelujah yah (Praise the Lord) but in Ps 118, the people not only repeated the first line, but also repeated 'O Lord send now prosperity' and 'O give thanks to the Lord' as they repeated these lines, they shook the lulabh which they held in their hands towards the altar. But on the last day of the feast, the priests encompassed the altar 7 times, as if they were again compassing Gentile Jericho which once barred their possession of the Promised Land." Then there was silence....and it was here that Jesus offered himself.

## Part #3b- Jn. 7: 37-39

37 On the last day, that important day of the feast, Jesus stood up and called out, saying, "If anyone is thirsty, let that one come to Me and drink. 38 He who believes in Me, as the written Word (Scripture) has said, "Out from his heart will flow floods of Life-Giving water." (Jer. 2:13, 17:13, Ez. 11:19) 39 But this He spoke regarding the Spirit, whom those believing in Him were about to receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.



# Jesus offered Himself as Water in the Desert!



## Part #3a- Jn. 7: 40

40 Therefore most of the crowd, when they heard this statement said, "This indeed is "The authentic coming (true) Prophet."



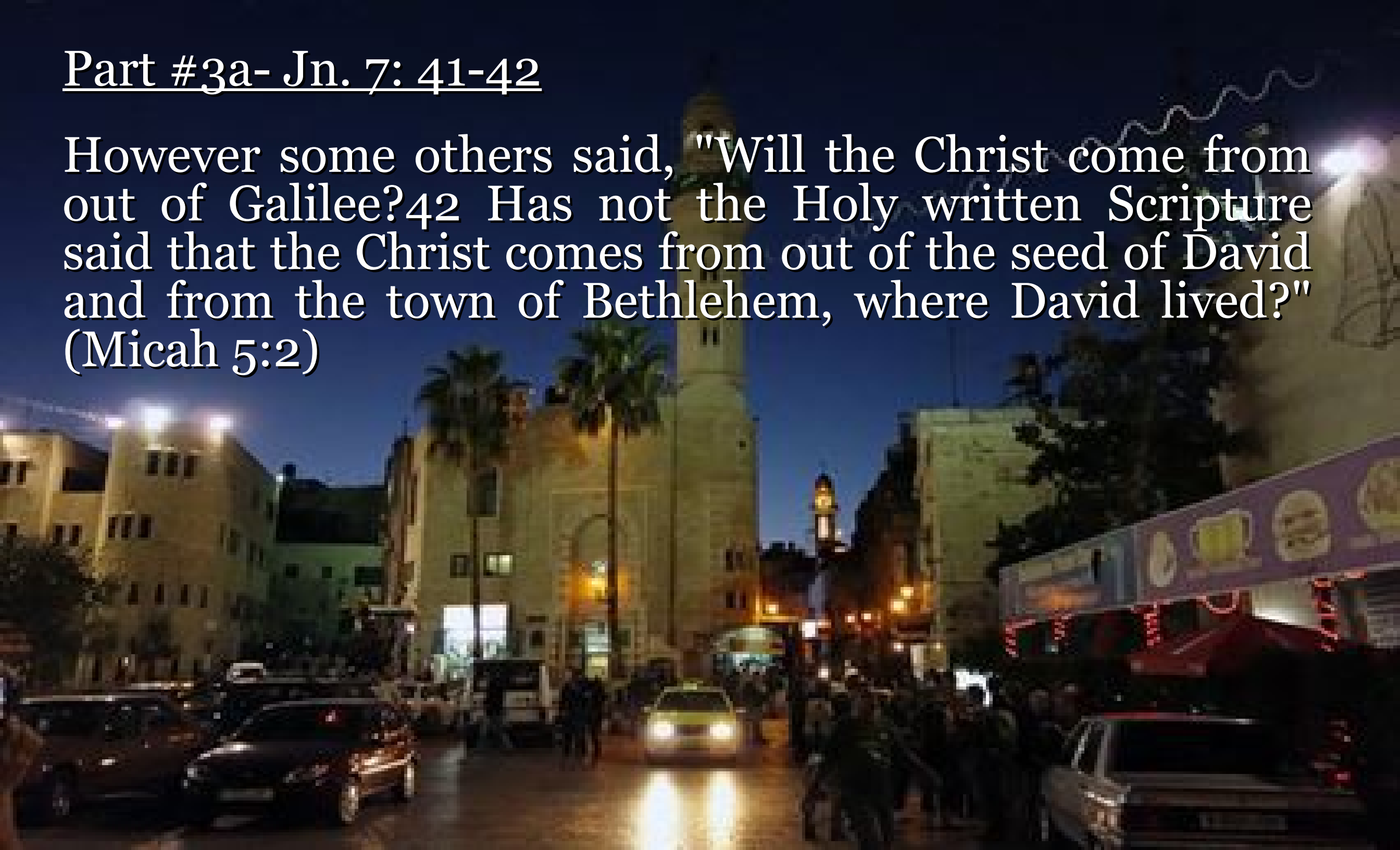
## Part #3a- Jn. 7:41

41 Still other different ones said, "This is the Christ. (Messiah)"



## Part #3a- Jn. 7: 41-42

However some others said, "Will the Christ come from out of Galilee?42 Has not the Holy written Scripture said that the Christ comes from out of the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David lived?" (Micah 5:2)



## Part #3a- Jn. 7: 43-44

So there became a division among the crowds because of Him. 44 For some out from the crowd would gladly have arrested Him, but no one laid hands on Him.



## Part #3a- Jn. 7: 44-46

45 Then the security of the chief priests and Pharisees came back, and they said to them, "Why have you not returned him to us?" 46 The (*temple*) guard responded, "Not at any time has any human being ever spoke like this person!"



## Part #4- Jn. 7: 47-49

47 Then the Pharisees answered them, "Have you also been led astray? 48 Which ones out of those in *religious* authority or out of the Pharisees have committed and believed in Him? 49 But this rabble who does not know the law are despicable!



## Part #4- Jn. 7: 50-52

50 Nicodemus being one out of them, said to the others, (this is the same man who came earlier to Jesus at night) 51 "Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing?" 52 They answered and said to him, "We know you are even also from Galilee. *But* investigate and look and perceive; because no prophet rises out of Galilee."





What do you think of Jesus?



Is Jesus simply a  
good prophet?

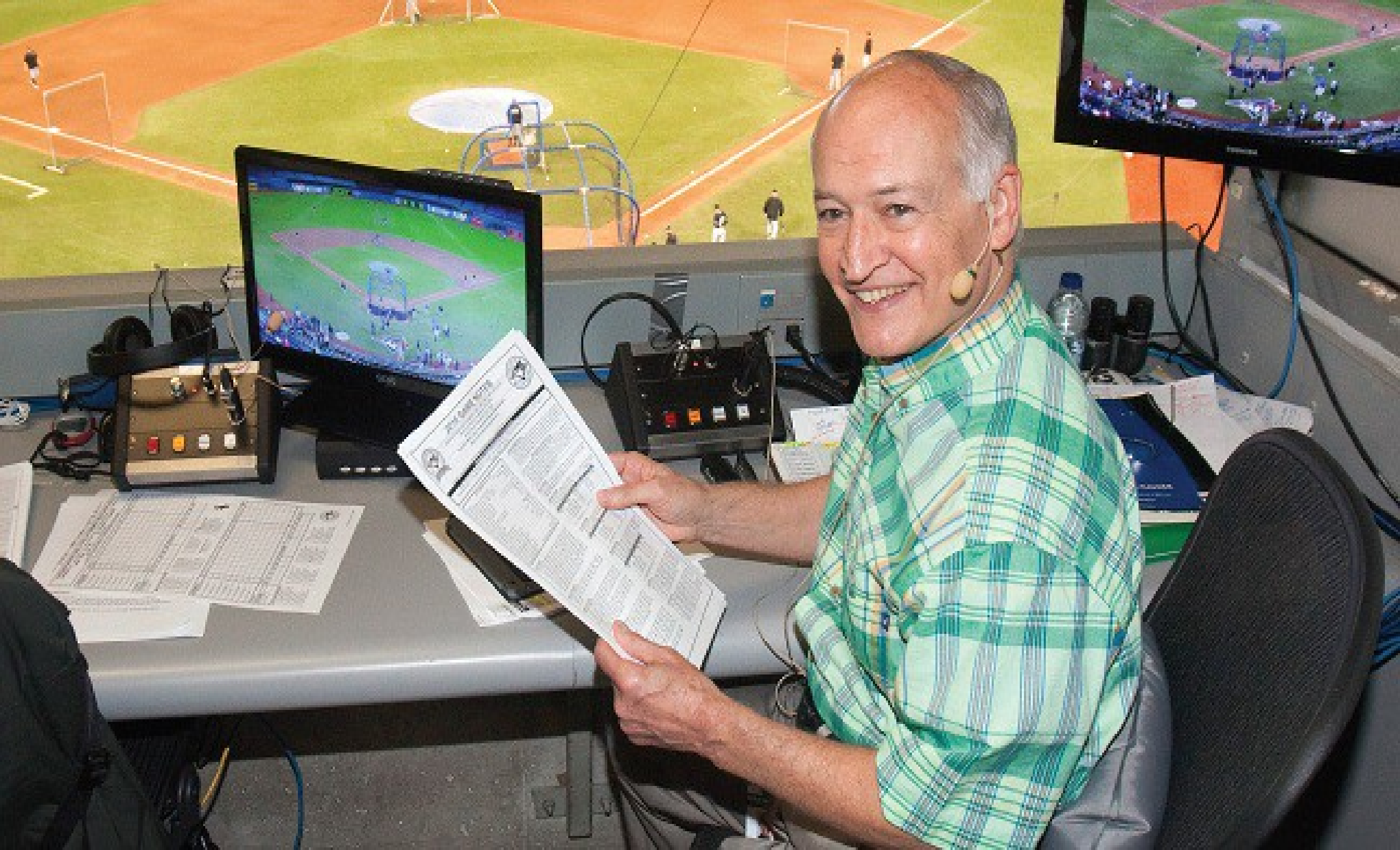


# Is Jesus the Messiah?



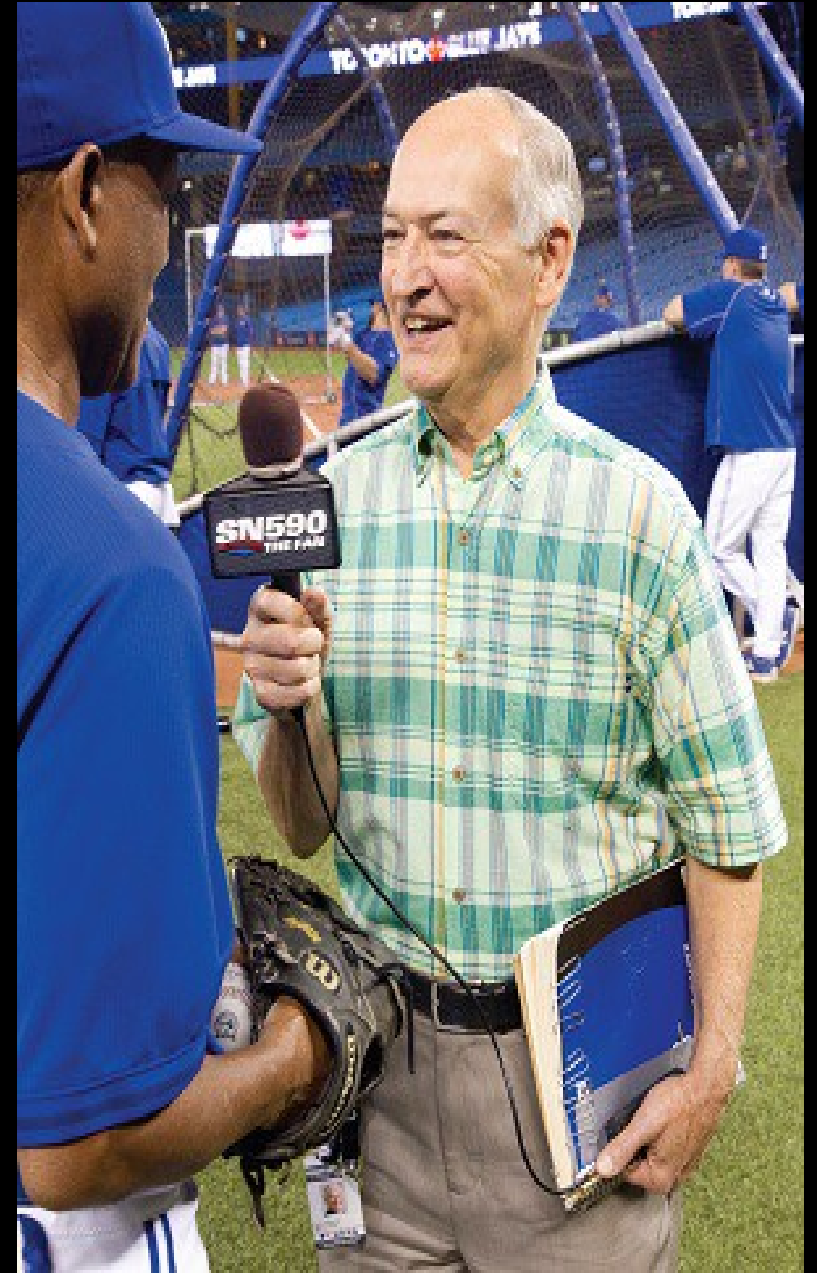
Is Jesus who He claimed to be?  
God the Son? The Messiah?  
The Son of God?  
King of Kings?





John 3:16\

”For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”



And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with *them* and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.

Mark 16:20

