

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

*The following questions help us engage with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service, and may be useful during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.*

1. Why does the Gospel of John give a detailed account of those who opposed Jesus? What does this teach us about genuine belief?
2. Read John 7.5 and Matthew 13.57. Why did Jesus' own brothers not believe in Him?
3. What is pride? What makes pride the enemy of belief?
4. What were some of the falsehoods that people believed about Jesus during His earthly ministry? (See John 7.12-24) What are some of the falsehoods that people believe about Jesus today?
5. What was the real motivation of the Jewish authorities to arrest Jesus? Were they truly concerned about blaspheming the name of God or did their primary concern have to do with themselves?
6. Are you more like Jesus' brothers, the crowds, or the Jewish authorities in John 7? Is any part of you living in opposition to Jesus?
7. Read John 7.31. Despite so much opposition to Jesus, John tells us that many believed in Him. How does this encourage your own faith and the call to tell others about Jesus?