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# [**John 10:22-42**](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2010.22-42)**– Jesus Asserts His Deity**

      [**22**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-22.htm)At that time the **Feast of the Dedication** took place at Jerusalem; [**23**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-23.htm)it was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple in the portico of Solomon. [**24**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-24.htm)The Jews then gathered around Him, and were saying to Him, “How long will You keep us in **suspense**? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly.” [**25**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-25.htm)Jesus answered them, “I told you, and you do not believe; the works that I do in My Father’s name, these **testify** of Me. [**26**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-26.htm)“But you do not believe because you are not of My sheep. [**27**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-27.htm)“My sheep hear My voice, and I **know** them, and they follow Me; [**28**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-28.htm)and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. [**29**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-29.htm)“My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of the Father’s hand. [**30**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-30.htm)“I and the Father are one.”

      [**31**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-31.htm)The Jews picked up stones again to stone Him. [**32**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-32.htm)Jesus answered them, “I showed you many good works from the Father; for which of them are you stoning Me?” [**33**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-33.htm)The Jews answered Him, “For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy; and because You, being a man, make Yourself out *to be* God.” [**34**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-34.htm)Jesus answered them, “Has it not been written in your Law, ‘I SAID, YOU ARE GODS’? [**35**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-35.htm)“If he called them gods, to whom the word of God came (and the Scripture cannot be broken), [**36**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-36.htm)do you say of Him, whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, ‘You are blaspheming,’ because I said, ‘I am the Son of God’? [**37**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-37.htm)“If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me; [**38**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-38.htm)but if I do them, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, so that you may **know** and understand that the Father is in Me, and I in the Father.” [**39**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-39.htm)Therefore they were seeking again to seize Him, and He eluded their grasp. [**40**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-40.htm)And He went away again beyond the Jordan to the place where John was first baptizing, and He was staying there. [**41**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-41.htm)Many came to Him and were saying, “While John performed no sign, yet everything John said about this man was true.” [**42**](http://biblehub.com/john/10-42.htm)Many believed in Him there.

**Interesting Words**

##### ****Feast of the Dedication****

An eight-day winter festival celebrated by the Jews in the month of December (aka. Feast of the Maccabees), [Feast of Dedication](https://www.gotquestions.org/Feast-of-Dedication.html). Today, this festival is called Hanukkah or the Festival of Lights and celebrates the Maccabean victory over the Seleucid king [Antiochus Ephiphanes](https://www.gotquestions.org/Antiochus-Epiphanes.html) who profaned the Jewish temple.

##### ****suspense****

(αἴρω Greek) – airó [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/142.htm) raise, take up, lift, take it out of the way, remove, [leave it up in the air] – [Col 2:14](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Col%202.14); [John 11:41](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2011.41);

##### ****testify****

(μαρτυρέω Greek) – martureó [►](https://biblehub.com/greek/3140.htm) bear witness, give evidence, testify – [John 5:39](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%205.39), [15:27](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2015.27); [John 19:35](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2019.35);

##### ****know****

(γινώσκω Greek) – ginóskó [**►**](https://biblehub.com/greek/1097.htm) come to know, learn, especially through personal experience (first-hand), sexual intimacy – [Luke 1:34 KJV](https://biblia.com/bible/kjv1900/Luke%201.34); [John 10:14-15](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2010.14-15); [14:7](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2014.7); [17:7](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2017.7);

**Cross References**

▪︎ [1Cor 2:14](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/1%20Cor%202.14); Jesus transforms our lives.
▪︎ [1Cor 2:15-16](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/1%20Cor%202.15-16) – We have the mind of Christ.
▪︎ [John 5:19](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%205.19), [14:10](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2014.10), [11](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2014.11) – Believe because of the works Jesus did.
▪︎ [Ps 82:6-7](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ps%2082.6-7) – Sons of the Most High.

**Discussion Questions**

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###### 1. ****What affect, if any, did the current feast have on the Jews’ attitude toward Jesus?****

###### 2****. What was the intent of the Jews questioning Jesus?****

###### 3. ****How didJesus respond? What was His defense?****

###### 4. ****What are some charactistics of true sheep?****

###### 5.****How does the relationship from Jesus-to-God effect/transfer to our relationships?****

###### 6.****This time when the Jews picked up stones to stone Jesus, He responded differently. How did He respond?****

###### 7.****How would you interpret****[John 10:34](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/John%2010.34)****and****[Ps 82:6](https://biblia.com/bible/nasb95/Ps%2082.6)****?****

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