

Greek Readings
Series C, Fourth Sunday of Easter
John 10:22-30

Verse 22

- What is ἐγκαίνια and when exactly does it occur? (BDAG 272; cf. 1 Macc. 4:36-39 esp. 4:56) _____
- Why does John add the explanatory note χειμῶν ἦν? _____

Verse 23

- Parse περιεπάτει. _____ What is this word's proper aspect? (Voelz, 60) _____
- What is the στοᾶ τοῦ Σολομῶνος? _____
- What other momentous occasion would take place in this στοᾶ? (cf. Acts 3:11; 5:12) _____

Verse 24

- Parse ἐκύκλωσαν. _____ What does it mean (BDAG 574; Acts 14:20)? _____
- Parse αἴρεις. _____ How does this verb and ψυχὴν show the native slang or jargon of speakers? (BDAG 1099 2.c) _____
- What does the word παρρησίᾳ (from πᾶς + ρῆσις) mean? (BDAG 781.1) _____
Why is it so interesting that the Pharisees command Christ to speak παρρησίᾳ? (8:42; 8:58; 9:29-33; 9:35-39; 10:14-15) _____
- Jesus had told the woman at the well who he was (4:26); but among the Jews ὁ χριστός had political and military implications—ideas Jesus keeps under wraps in this Gospel (cf. Mark 14:62). _____

Verse 25

- Parse εἶπον. _____ Under what circumstances had Jesus revealed who he was (4:25-26; 8:58)? _____
- What is the importance of ἐγὼ in the phrase ἐγὼ ποιῶ? _____
- What is the τῷ ὀνόματι τοῦ πατρός μου in which Jesus acts and speaks? _____
- Parse μαρτυρεῖ. _____ What are the works that bear witness to Christ (John 5:36) and, according to the tense of this verb, what type of witness do they bear? _____

Verse 26

- Parse πιστεύετε. _____ What is the theological significance behind the tense? _____
- What are some possible translations for ὅτι? Some Reformed grammarians use this ὅτι clause to demonstrate double predestination. Do they have a legitimate argument? Why or Why not? _____

Verse 27

- Parse ἀκούουσιν _____, γινώσκω _____ and ἀκολουθοῦσιν _____ The parsing is simple but what type of relationship does it denote?
- What doctrine does the BOC use this verse to substantiate? (FC SD XI. 29-30) _____
How does this verse pertain to your parishioner sitting in the pew? _____

Verse 28

- See ζωὴν in BDAG (430 2.b.α). What type of life is this word referring to and who, according to δίδωμι, is the source of this life? _____
- Parse ἀπόλωνται. _____ What is the significance of οὐ μὴ + subjunctive? (Voelz, 177-178) _____
- Parse ἀρπάσει _____ What is the theological significance of its tense? _____
- Where are the sheep? How could this image bring a sense of comfort for a parishioner? _____

Verse 29

- What type of word is μεῖζον? (Voelz, 230-235) _____
- Who is the subject of ἐστιν? _____ What is πάντων? _____
- Parse ἀρπάζειν. _____ What is the best use of this word? (Voelz, 100) _____
- When the sheep are in Christ's hand whose hand are they also in? _____
- Compare this verse to Deuteronomy 32:39 and Psalm 95:7. _____

Verse 30

- Both Muslims and Jews call us tri-theists. Hence, why is this short verse ἐγὼ καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ἐν ἐσμεν so important for the Christian faith? (Deut. 6:4; Col. 1:19) _____

Integration of Meaning

Write a sermon theme with two or three major divisions.