

God's Desire for Dedication



Scripture

- **John 10:22-30**

At that time the Feast of the Dedication took place at Jerusalem; It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple in the portico of Solomon. 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. 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. But you do not believe, because you are not of My sheep. My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; and I give them eternal life, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. 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. I and the Father are one."

Other Scriptures

- Acts 6:1
- John 6:43-44
- John 6:37
- Ephesians 1:4-5
- Galatians 4:4-6
- Psalm 139:13-16

Main Points

- Hanukkah 2024 begins at sunset on Wednesday, December 25 and ends at sunset on Wednesday, January 1.
- War of the Maccabees- 167 BCE-160 BCE
- Hanukkah is the Hebrew word meaning Dedication.
- The Hebrew word Maccabee means Hammer.
- Christ in Greek is Christos
- Anointed One in Hebrew is Mashiach
- It's not up to us to save people, it's just up to us to be a witness.
- You were in the mind and heart of God before you were even born.
- We should dedicate every area of our lives to Hashem.

Discussion Questions

1. Tell the story of Hanukkah in your own words.
2. What was the miracle of the oil?
3. What did Jesus' reveal about Himself and his flock during Hanukkah?
4. Do we have the ability to bring someone to faith, according to Jesus?
5. What is our responsibility then?
6. What encouragement do you take from this teaching today?