

## John 7:40-52

We are a \_\_\_\_\_ nation.

Continental Divide?

“Don’t think I’ve come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.” Matt 10:34.

I. A Crowd \_\_\_\_\_ . Vs 40-44

The first thing.....

The second thing.....

The third thing...

II. A Command \_\_\_\_\_ vs 45-49

Authority to Execute an Arrest Warrant

The Officers were overwhelmed.....

No MAN ever spoke like that....

The Sanhedrin was probably the most arrogant group of religious leaders...ever. They combined refined, educated men with contemptuous pride.

The Sanhedrin mocked the guards....

The Sanhedrin divided the people into two groups: the people of the earth and the religious leaders.

Rabbi Hillel once commented regarding the common people: “No member of the common people is pious.” Another Rabbi taught that someone who knew neither the Scripture or the Mishnah (a written form of Jewish oral traditions) was indistinguishable from an animal.

How ironic that the common people, the masses, the scripturally illiterate, and not the elite, the religiously trained and educated, had a clue regarding the identity of Jesus.

III. A \_\_\_\_\_ vs 50-52

Nico asks a question –

Nico exposes the Sanhedrin –

There is a religious continental divide. It is Jesus of Nazareth. He stood at the Feast of Tabernacles as the Great Divider between Heaven and Hell. He still calls you today...