

Date: December 14, 2025, 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM

Sermon: *"The Messiah Celebrates Hanukkah"*

A Study in God's Word Based on John 10:22-38

Starting at sundown today, our Jewish friends and neighbors will be celebrating Hanukkah. Also known as the "Festival of Lights" or the "Feast of Dedication," this end-of-the-year holiday observance actually lasts eight days. The only reference in the Scriptures to Hanukkah is found in the New Testament, interestingly enough, and specifically in the passage before us this morning, John chapter 10. In the dialogue recorded here between Jesus and His fellow Jews, two vital truths emerge. Our aim in today's message will be to examine those truths one by one:

I. Truth No. 1: Jesus Presents _____ Identity as the _____ – vv. 24-25, 37-38, 31-33

II. Truth No. 2: Jesus Presents _____ Identity as His _____ – vv. 26-29

Two aspects of our identity:

A. Our _____ to Him – v. 27

B. Our _____ in Him – vv. 28-29