Problem:

impatience is ultimately unbelief - Luke 3:38-4:13 -the sin of Adam deuteronomy 8:2-5; 6:10-13, 16

Text:

The Jews were seeking to kill Him

John 7:1 ¶ After this Jesus went about in Galilee. He would not go (was not going) about in Judea, because **the Jews were seeking to kill him.**

John 1:9-13 - no one wanted Him but to those who do...backdrop of the narrative

The Feast of Booths was at hand

John 7:2 Now the Jews' Feast of Booths was at hand.

Lev. 23:34-44 (it was a time to look back)
Deut 16:13-16 it was a time to look forward
Num 29:12-40 it was a time to sacrifice - because they needed it
Num 11:4-7, 18-20 - their impatience was unbelief
exodus 32:1-8 -it was rebellion

And not even His brothers believed in Him

John 7:3 So his brothers said to him, "Leave here and go to Judea, that your disciples also may see the works you are doing.

John 7:4 For no one works in **secret** <u>if (since) he seeks to be known openly.</u> If you do these things, show yourself to <u>the world</u>." (they thought He wanted fame)

John 7:5 For not even his brothers believed in him.

not even His brothers believed -John 1:14- at a feast meant to remind them... the world hates Christ- John 14:19, 22; 15:18-19; 17:14; 1 John 3:13

It was not His time yet

John 7:6 Jesus said to them, "My time has not yet come, but your time is always here.

John 7:7 The world cannot hate you, but it hates me because I testify about it that its works are evil.

John 7:8 You go up to the feast. I am not going up to this feast, for **my time has not yet fully come.**"

John 7:9 After saying this, he remained in Galilee.

John 7:10 ¶ But after his brothers had gone up to the feast, then he also went up, not publicly but in private.

the world hates Christ...but God is sovereign - John 1:5; and patient -Psalm 69:7-9, 13, 16-18; (and obedient to death - Phil 2:8)

Main Idea:

God is always right on time

Implication:

The world hates Christ but God is sovereign and patient

app for non-believers: in salvation it was not time yet - Romans 5:6, 8; 1 Tim 1:15-16 but it is time now - 2 Cor 5:21-6:2 -today is the day of salvation

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app for believers: in everything
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Here are some article for further study:

Regarding the feast of booths: http://www.hope-of-israel.org/tabernac.htm

regarding divine providence: http://www.gotquestions.org/divine-providence.html

regarding all things working for our good: http://www.monergism.com/christian's-happiness-romans-828-30