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# Introduction to the Gospel According to John

I. The Writer

John the Beloved

“The other disciple”

II. The Purpose of Writing

To give a distinctive account of Jesus’ words and His ministry

* John 20:30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

* John 21:24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

III. Key Verses

John 20:30, 31

a. Jesus performed many miracles not recorded in this book.

b. Those written were for a definite purpose that men might believe and know Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

c. Pivots of thought in these two main scriptures.

Signs

Life

Believing

1. 4591 semaino from sema – the plural form

Signs

for sign or miracle

A mark, to indicate or to signify a sign was applied to a miracle to indicate something of greater importance.

Luke 2:12 John 1:48-51

Miracle – 4592 Semeion

There are three other similar meaning words used for miracle.

a) Wonders – 5059 Teras Acts 2:19

A prodigy or omen—*something outside the natural course of nature or the usual course of events*—emphasizing the character of the miracle.

b) Mighty works – 1411 dunamis Matt. 11:20,21,23

Force, miraculous power, a miracle, ability, abundance, might, strength, violence, mighty wonderful work.

c) Strange – 3861 Paradoxes Luke 5:26

Contrary to expectation.

Extra ordinary.

John 20:30 “Many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples which are not written in this book.”

These signs given are material witnesses to underlying spiritual truths.

John selected from a larger group that Jesus performed.

What were these signs?

1) Master of quality John 2:10, 11

Turned water in to wine

2) Master of souls John 2:13-25

Cleansing the temple

3) Master of distance and space John 4:46-54

Healing the Noble man’s son

4) Master of time John 5:1-9

Healing of the impotent man.

5) Master of quantity John 6:1-14

Fed the 5,000.

6) Master over natural law John 6:16-21

Walked on water.

7) Master over misfortune John 9:1-12

Healing of the blind man.

8) Master over death John 11:1-46

Raised Lazareth from the dead.

His own resurrection. John 20:1-29

Eternal Salvation 20:16,19,20; 21:23,31

Power over the works of the devil.

9) Master of love John 21:1-22

Draught of fish.

He fed them that they would feed others.

In these signs appear the revelation of God.

These signs are clustered with teaching that interprets spiritual truth.

Why were these signs written?

2. 4100 Pisteuo

Believing

The signs were written that ye might believe.

A reaction is demanded acceptance or rejection

Trust and a personal commitment to Christ relying on Christ with conviction.

The words that involve believing are used 98 times in John.

Very informative and instructive.

The outcome of destiny is determined by belief and unbelief.

The scriptures never demand belief without providing adequate reason for commitment.

Belief is the reaction we ought to evoke.

Believing the truth presupposes that which it will produce.

John 11:40 “If thou wouldest believe thou wouldest see the glory of God.”

Jesus gave Martha and all the disciples many reasons to believe, though demonstrating who He is by many signs.

The mastery of every situation demonstrated fully His adequacy for all human emergencies.

The Resurrection was the crowning sign of all.

Believing in Jesus will issue life.

Belief first must relate to that which is received, then that which is achieved.

What is the result of believing the signs?

Life

3. 2222 Zoe

Spiritual life is given, the life of Christ is received.

Spiritual life defined possesses:

a) Divine consciousness – aware and alert

b) Direct contact – alive

c) Definite continuity – abiding

d) Development in character growth – abounding

d. The Gospel according to John

John 20:30,31

1) A persuasive gospel

“These are written that ye might believe”

2) An interpretive gospel

That Jesus is the Christ.

The title - Christ refers to His office (anointed-Messiah).

The title – Son of God refers to His Person in the GodHead.

3) An effective gospel

“And that believing ye might have life through His name.”\

* We can have a right understanding, with a real experience, knowing Jesus Christ, The Son of God as our only Saviour.

4) A selective gospel

“And many other signs…which are not written in this book.”

1. Outline of the Division of Action

I. The Prologue

John 1:1-18

The first eighteen verses constitute a division technically known as the prologue. The prologue is divided into two sections.

* The Word (“Logos” - the spoken word)

Vs. 1-5; 9-14; 16-18

* John the Baptist

Vs. 6-8, 15

a. The Word (“Logos”)

The Word is mentioned four times in two verses. Three times

in verse one and once in verse 14.

W O R D (Gk.) Logos 3056 The Divine Expression

* Christ , The Son of God - the spoken **Word**  (used 22 times in John)
* The whole written Word.

Verses 1-18 are mainly a presentation of the Person of Christ as The Word.

1. The Word and Deity – “The Word was with God”

Vs. 1 Father and Son – A distinction is made here – not part, but the whole Deity—The Divine Nature & The Divine Image of God is clearly revealed by His Son through The Holy Ghost.

Meaning of “in the beginning”:

* Before the world was made when as yet there was nothing created.
* The Word had existence before the world was created.
  + This was spoken of the Son, not the man Jesus.
  + But the Divine Son of God in the fullness of His glory.

John 17:5 17:1, 24

Ps. 90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth.

John 17:24 “Before the foundation of the world.”

I Peter 1:20 Foreordained before the foundation of the world.

Rev. 13:8 Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

John 8:58; 17:5 6:62 3:13 6:46 8:14 16:28

a) Eternity - immeasurable, indefinite eternity that preceded all time

The fact of

Existence John 1:1 “In the beginning” Same as Gen. 1:1

b) Divine Expression - “Logos” the spoken word

The Eternal purpose was expressed

“**was the Word**” – Christ the Word – The personal Word, a

title of the Son of God. He is Eternal.

Vs. 1 He is Divine He has His own personality.

Vs. 1 The Word was with God Vs. 2 The same was in

The beginning with God. This close union was before creation. It cannot be said God was with Himself. The Spoken Word “Logos” was with God. Logos was in the same sense distinct from God. The distinction is Father and Son and Holy Ghost. When we say one is with another we imply there is a distinction between them. Not an inferior being or creature but equal with the Father called by the same name, same attributes, performs same works, same honor and same in substance – Power and Glory.

Law of c) Personality - of His own yet totally united

Existence Intelligent active personality “with”

“the Word was with God”

Eternally coexistent and coequal

Separated only on the Cross

Jesus is the outward manifestation of God given to us

who now believe, in and by the Word of God.

Nature of d) Nature - of this word is divine

Existence The divine Word of God

“The Word was God”

“God” (Gk.) Theos 78 times in John

2316 Deity, supreme divinity, God

The Logos possessed and eternally manifested

the very nature of God.

Heb. 1:1-3 “The brightness of His glory”

The express image of His person

2. The Word and Creation -V. 2, 3

a) Antiquity - v. 2 “The same was in the beginning with God”

The ancient of days Dan. 7:9,13,22

1. Agency - vs. 3 “All things were made by Him” – “All things” relate to the universe.
2. Its elements
3. Its system of laws

All things came into being by Him.

c) Activity - “were made” 12 times in John

Came into being by the word spoken

(Gk.) Ginomai - to cause to be

What was not came into being when He spoke

vs. 3 “without Him was not anything made that

was made.”

Logos shared with God His position as Son and

now as creator.

The method of Creation - the spoken word

The fact of Creation - John 1:1-3 Gen. 1:1

Heb. 1:1-3 Col. 1:15-17

“Heir of all things” CREATOR of all things

3. The Word and Life - vs. 4,5,9

Logos and spiritual life

a) The fountain of life - “In Him was life”

Gen 2:7 Job 33:4

b) The effect of life in man - “the life was the light of man”

Prov. 20:27 Psa. 18:28 Prov. 24:20

c) The power of life - “the light shineth in darkness”

d) The scope of life - “the true light that lighteth every man that cometh into the world.”

LIFE OF GOD LIGHT OF MEN

“In Him was life” “The life was the light of men”

Light is used in relation to the righteousness of God

John 3:19,20 12:25

“Walk while ye have the light”

Gen. 1:2 Isa. 60:2 Joel 2:2,31 Acts 2:20

John 12:35 Matt. 4:16; 27:45 Mark 15:33 Luke 23:44

II Cor. 4:6 John 1:5; 3:19; 8:12; 12:46

Logos brings illumination

Jesus has provided (light) which is revelation to all men, which God has

created. Men can’t extinguish or dim it but can refuse it, and God will cause the light in you to become darkness.

True light Eternal light

Can’t be put out by man. The effect is eternal life for every believer.

John 17:2-3 – Knowing the ultimate character of God’s being.

4. The Word and The World - vs. 10

World used 70 times in John

Man lives in a natural and spiritual environment

* A natural world - physical, visible, temporal
* A spiritual world - supernatural, invisible, eternal

1. The Word present – “He was in the world”
2. The Word active – “The world was made by Him”
3. The Word ignored – “The world knew Him not”

“World comprehended Him not”

Did not realize who He was

Lacked comprehension of His words, person and mission

5. The Word and Men - vs. 11-13

“He came unto His own and His own received Him not”

“His own” - Jews

Rejection - His own received Him not

Matt. 21:33-46 Mark 12:1-2 Luke 20:9-16

Christ was accepted John 4 by Samaritans

Sought by Greeks John 12:20

1. Contact – “He came unto His own”
2. Reception – “His own received Him not”
3. Method – “But as many as received Him”
4. Effects – “Gave power to become the sons of God” (New relationship) The right of entrance into power and authority. This experience comes only one way – By the will of God. John 1:13

1. Word Incarnate -vs. 14
2. Act or creation – “The word was made flesh”
3. Process – “And the word was made flesh and dwelt among us”

To reside; To tent (as in the Tabernacle; pitch tent)

c) “We beheld” (etheasametha) observed His glory – became aware of

“full of grace and truth” “Of His fullness have we received”

7. The Word Revealing - vs. 16 -18

1. Fullness – “Of His fullness have all **we** received” Partaking of the Nature of Christ and the Character of Christ)
2. Grace – “Grace for Grace” “Grace and truth came by Jesus Christ” (Experience developing)
3. God – In bosom of the Father

Perfect understanding and love of God

“No man hath seen God at any time

the only begotten Son which is in the bosom of the

Father, He hath declared Him.” vs. 18

1. John the Baptist John 1:6-8, 15
2. The forerunner of Jesus Christ

Christ always was, John was sent to bear witness of Jesus that men might believe in Him for Salvation.

John 1:15 “John bare witness of Him”

1. John came to bear witness of the light

1:8 “He was not that light but was sent to bear witness of that Light.”

He shared the light that he received.

Luke 3:2 The Word of God came to John in the wilderness. The Voice in the wilderness was God revealing Himself to John.

John became a voice in the wilderness.

Not The Voice but Luke 3:4 “The voice of one crying in the wilderness.”

In those days just before the coming of the Lord the first time, there was a thundering voice of a prophet heard in the land crying out against religious pretense and against the traditions of men, against the religion of form that had substituted the true worship of God.

His piercing message of repentance disturbed and shattered the formal, traditional and pious religions of that day. He was a forerunner of Christ to usher in the coming of the Lord.

The Scripture says: Matt. 3:1-12; Mk 1:3-9; John 1:6-8

A man, a witness, a light – sent from God

God’s light shined from him

(A burning and a shining light – John 5:35)

He was a voice crying in the wilderness

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He got the people’s attention.

The Lord speaks to many people but few hear and even of those that hear, do not obey.

What are you doing with what God has said to you?

It does not matter if you are all alone in the wilderness.

Luke 3:2 “The Word of God came to John in the wilderness.

••• Religious pretense, hypocrisy

The Wilderness of sin ••• Of moral decay and corruption, even

••• perversion of theological opinions (instead of Holy Ghost interpretation)

This present age has become a wilderness

(A web of violence and wickedness.)

* Worldliness

A mixed up age

Through training, beasts are becoming more mechanical and machines that are mechanical are becoming more human and humans that should be human are all the time becoming more beastly.

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••• at the social scene

••• at the domestic scene

••• at the church scene

Where is the Word that would make you a flame and a voice to cry out against sin and against the wicked and ungodly, lewd, liberal, licentious death styles of today.

We must renounce the pride and the procrastinations and anything else that would hinder us from being the voice God would have us to be, so that we can denounce the permissive, perverted, pernicious, promiscuous, profuse generation.

(Remember this voice does not appeal to the crowds.)

It is not the voice of the multitude ushering in the coming of the Lord.

“The Voice of O N E” Luke 3:4

Rev. 22:17, 20-21

You must hear Him for yourself and say what He says.

John’s Message Isa. 40:1-31; 10:3-6a; 9b; 31

Luke 3:2b; 3-18

Matt. 3:1-12

John 1:29, 36

Four major points of his message

1. Luke 3:4 The Lord Jesus Christ is coming
2. 3:3,8 Repentance
3. 3:8 “God is able”
4. 3:16 “He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and fire

3:18 “And many other things in his exhortation preached he unto the people.”

3:19 reproved adultery and all evils.

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## Gospel According To St. John

The apostle John does not name himself, but states that he is the writer of this Gospel, (21:24,25.) He and James were the sons of Zebedee and Salome, the latter probably the sister of our Lord’s mother and was born in Bethsaida of Galilee. His intimate relations with James are indicated by the expression, “the beloved disciple,” and it has been said he was able to give men “the heart of Christ.”

Clement of Alexandria says, “Last of all, John, observing that in the other Gospels those things were related that concerned the body of Christ, and being persuaded by his friends and also moved by the Spirit of God, wrote a spiritual Gospel.” Gregory Nazianzen says, “Matthew wrote the wonderful works of Christ for the Jew, Mark for the Roman, Luke for the Greeks, John, a herald, who reaches the very heavens for all.

Irenaeus, the pupil of Polycarp, who was the friend and pupil of St. John, accepted this Gospel and says that John “for sixty years after the Ascension preached orally, till the end of Domitian’s reign; and after the death of Domitian having returned to Ephesus, he was induced to write his Gospel concerning the divinity of Christ, co-eternal with the Father; in which he refutes those heretics, Cerinthus and the Nicolatians.” It is quite certain that Justin Martyr used this Gospel, and that it was combined with the others in the Diatessaron of Tatian about 170 A.D.

In the reign of Domitian John was banished to Patmos, and afterwards returned to Ephesus, and lived in that city to an extreme old age, the last of the Twleve Apostles. It is generally held that he wrote his Gospel in that city and not long before his death, and as indicated by Clement, at the request of Christian friends.

Nearly a generation after the other Gospels had been written, this Gospel was prepared, which shows that the life and labors of Christ were at this time well known to Christians. In the meantime, the apostles had preached the Gospel, Paul and Peter had suffered martyrdom, and all the apostles had passed to their reward, and Jerusalem was destroyed by the Romans.

The style of this Gospel is simple, but the thought is profound. Its great design is to set forth the divinity of our Lord as the basis of faith, and to meet the spiritual needs, not of a particular class, Jew, Roman or Greek, but of all men and hence it is called “the spiritual Gospel,” and “the Gospel for the Church.” It states its purpose, “But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing ye might have life through His name.”

This will explain why John does not record the facts relative to the birth and early life of Jesus, and instead of giving a genealogy declares, “In the beginning was the Word”, why certain great miracles are given not recorded by others, and why instead of parabolic teaching, this Gospel contains the great spiritual discourses that do not appear in the Synoptic Gospels.

DATE: The date of this Gospel falls between AD 85 and 90.

CHAPTER ONE:

1. The deity of Jesus Christ, 1-2
2. His pre-incarnation work, 3-5
3. The ministry of John the Baptist, 6-8
4. Jesus Christ, the true Light, 9-10
5. The two classes, sons and unbelievers, 11-13
6. The Incarnation, 14-15
7. The witness of John the Baptist, 15-34
8. The public ministry of Jesus Christ, 35-51

CHAPTER TWO:

1. The marriage of Cana and the first miracle, 1-12
2. The first Passover, 13-25

CHAPTER THREE:

1. Jesus and Nicodemus and the new birth, 1-21
2. Last testimony of John the Baptist, 22-30
3. Declarative statement concerning Jesus Christ, 31-36

CHAPTER FOUR:

1. Jesus departs into Galilee, 1-5
2. Jesus and the Samaritan woman, 6-13
3. The indwelling Spirit, 14-39
4. Jesus and the Samaritans, 40-45
5. Healing of the nobleman’s son, 46-54

CHAPTER FIVE:

1. The feast, the pool of Bethesda and the healing, 1-31
2. The two resurrections, 28-29
3. The four-fold witness of Jesus:
4. John the Baptist, 32-35
5. The Works, 36-37
6. The Father, 37-38
7. The Scriptures, 39-47

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2. Jesus walks upon the sea, 15-21
3. The great discourse on the bread of life, 22-59
4. Discipleship tested by doctrine, 60-66
5. Peter’s confession of faith, 67-71

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4. The great prophecy concerning the Holy Spirit for power, 37-39
5. The people divided in opinion, 40-53

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CHAPTER NINE:

1. The man born blind is healed, 1-41

CHAPTER TEN:

1. Discourse of the Good Shepherd, 1-21
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3. Jesus goes to the place where he was baptized, 40-42

CHAPTER ELEVEN:

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3. The friends of Mary of Bethany are converted, 45-46

4. The Pharisees plot to put Jesus to death, 47-57

CHAPTER TWELVE:

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3. Certain Greeks would see Jesus, 20-22
4. Jesus foretells Peter’s denial, 36-38

CHAPTER THIRTEEN:

1. The last Passover, 1-2
2. Jesus washes the disciples’ feet, 2-20
3. Jesus foretells his betrayal, 21-35
4. Jesus foretells Peter’s denial, 36-38

CHAPTER FOURTEEN:

1. Jesus foretells his coming for his own, 1-6
2. Jesus and the Father are one, 7-12
3. The new promise and privilege in prayer, 13-15
4. The promise of the Spirit, 16-26
5. The bequest of peace, 27-31

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1. Spoken on the way to the garden, the vine and branches, 1-14
2. The new intimacy, 15-17
3. The believer in the world, 18-25
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2. Three-fold work of the Spirit toward the world, 7-11
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3. Jesus brought before the high priest, 12-14
4. Peter’s denial, 15-18
5. Jesus before the high priest, 19-27
6. Jesus brought before Pilate, 28-38
7. Jesus condemned and Barabas released, 39-40

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1. Jesus crowned with thorns, 1-3
2. Pilate brings Jesus before the multitude, 4-13
3. The final rejection of the King by the Jewish authorities, 14-15
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5. Not a bone of Him broken, 31-37
6. The entombment, 38-42

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4. Christ directed service, and the result, 6-11
5. The Master enough for the need of His servants, 12-14
6. The only acceptable motive in service, 15-17
7. The Master appoints the time and manner of the servant’s death,

18-19

1. If the Lord returns, the servants will not die, 20-25

## The Highlights of the Gospel of John

The purpose of The Gospel according to John is,

intensely practical and immensely spiritual.

He wishes not only to inspire faith but to show the life that faith will produce.

This is the significance of the miracles which he relates: they are indeed signs of divine power, but they are also symbols of the life which Christ teaches and imparts.

1. The first miracle was at the wedding feast at home, to suggest the joy of the Christian life and the transforming power of Christ.

2. The second recorded miracle shows how Christ can deliver from fear and anxiety as He restores hope and peace to parents’ heart.

3. Then He heals a cripple to show His ability to give power to the helpless.

4. He feeds the five thousands to show that He is the real food for the soul.

5. He stills the storm and men learn what He can be in times of stress and struggle or peril and pressure.

6. He opens the eyes of the blindman and shows that He alone can take away the dimness of the soul.

7. He raises Lazarus and we realize His claim to be the “Resurrection and the life.”

8. He gives them another draught of (153) great fish

9. He rises victorious over death and the grave and we no longer doubt that He is divine, but cry out adoringly, “MY LORD AND MY GOD.”

Then comes the conclusion which foresees the last chapter of this Gospel, where we see that our divine Lord is also our unseen, present, guiding, sustaining Lord:

Where we find that faith will issue in lives of service and love and patient suffering, as we overcome even as He overcame all things.

## The Outline

1. The introduction John 1:18

II. The revelation to the world, and the development of faith and unbelief

1:19-12:50

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3. The witness of the first followers 1:35-51
4. The witness of the first miracle 2:1-11
5. The public ministry 2:12-12:50
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7. The witness in Jerusalem 2:12-3:21
8. The witness in Judea 3:22-36
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10. The witness in Galilee 5-11
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17. The condemnation of unbelief 12:37-50
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22. Jesus’ intercessory prayer 17:1-26
23. The supreme witness 18-20
24. The supreme witness 18-20
25. The crucifixion 19:17-42
26. The resurrection 20-21

## Picture Gallery

This Gospel presents a series of pictures, each presenting Christ as the Central Figure.

Each of the 21 Chapters contains a striking portrayal of some aspect of the character or work of the Savior.

The first two chapters contain companion pieces.

CHAPTER 1 – He is the Son of God. His deity is portrayed (verse 1) “in the beginning was the word, and the word was with God, and the word was God”…verse 14, “and we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”

CHAPTER 2 – He is the Son of Man. Here we have a scene illustrating His perfect humanity. He appears as a guest at the marriage in Cana of Galilee. He mingles with men in their social activities.

CHAPTER 3 – He is the Divine Teacher. Instructing a master of Israel. Nicodemus says (verse 2) “we know that thou art a teacher come from God.”

CHAPTER 4 – He is the Soul Winner. Here we see the steps by which He led the darkened soul of the Samaritan woman out in to the light.

CHAPTER 5 – He is the Great Physician. Bending in compassion over the sufferers at the pool. He shows His divine power by the instantaneous cure of a hopeless case. (Verses 8,9)

CHAPTER 6 – He is the Bread of Life. (Verse 48) Without Him the souls of men perish of hunger.

CHAPTER 7 – He is the Water of Life. (Verse 37) Satisfying the thirsty heart.

CHAPTER 8 – He is the Defender of the Weak. Here we have a scene showing His gallant defense of a fallen woman.

CHAPTER 9 – He is the Light of the World. He demonstrates His right to this distinction by giving light to one who was born blind.

CHAPTER 10 – He is the Good Shepherd. He watches over “the flock” with infinite care and gives His life for His sheep.

CHAPTER 11 – He is the Resurrection and the Life. He proves His right to this title by calling Lazarus from the tomb.

CHAPTER 12 – He is the King. He rides into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and is acclaimed King of Israel by the multitudes.

CHAPTER 13 – He assumes the place of a Servant. Here we have the marvelous scene of His condescension, as He washes the disciples’ feet.

CHAPTER 14 – He is the Consoler. Although standing under the very shadow of His cross, in utter self-forgetfulness, He comforts the sorrowing disciples.

CHAPTER 15 – He is the True Vine. We see Him as the source of all spiritual fruit.

CHAPTER 16 – He is the Giver of the Spirit. On His departure He promised to send the comforter into the world.

CHAPTER 17 – He is the Great Intercessor. He offers up His wonderful intercessory prayers for the church.

CHAPTER 18 – He appears as the Model Sufferer. He submissively drinks the cup of woe pressed to His lips by the Father’s hand.

CHAPTER 19 – He is the Uplifted Savior. He becomes obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

CHAPTER 20 – He is the Victory Over Death. Four times He met and vanquished “the king of terrors.” First, at the bedside of the little maid. Second at the bier of the widow’s son. Third at the tomb of Lazarus. Finally, He entered the very citadel of the “grim Destroyer” and came forth conqueror.

CHAPTER 21 – He is the Restorer of the Penitent. He welcomes wandering Peter back to the fold and commissions him to feed the sheep and lambs.

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# Chapter 1 – He is the Son of God

After brief statements about the deity of Jesus, His Pre-Existence and incarnation, John’s Gospel now introduces Jesus in person.

Vs. 19 And this is the witness of John –

WHO ART THOU?

John had this testimony that not even the Priests and Levites knew who John was.

But – God did – A man sent from God to bear witness.

Reply of John to them – “I am not The Christ.”

Vs. 20-23 Questions they asked John?

Vs. 21 What then? Art thou Elias?

Reply – I am not

Vs. 21 Art thou that Prophet?

Reply – No

“I AM THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS”

Vs. 22 Who art thou?

What sayeth thou of thyself?

Vs. 23 “Make straight the way of the Lord.”

Vs. 25-26: The Jews ask the question concerning Baptism, because Jewish people

became members of ceremonial methods.

Jesus was baptized to openly manifest there was a messiah in Israel

(The Messiah had come.)

Vs. 26: John answered them saying, I baptize with water;

but there standeth one among you,

whom ye know not.

This was an amazing statement made by John.

John knew Jesus was standing in the crowd that day.

In your midst is the one whose way is begin prepared.

John showed more humility than a Servant. He felt unworthy to even unloose Jesus’ shoes.

Vs. 27: “He it is who, coming after me, if preferred before me, whose shoe’s latchet I

am not worthy to loose.”

Vs. 29: The next day John saw Jesus coming to Him.

Here we see John introducing Jesus to them.

* He introduced Jesus

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD, WHICH TAKETH AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD

* He identified Jesus
* He pointed Jesus out as the Lamb of God.

2-Fold Mission of Jesus

1. 1. Cleansing process (taking away sin)
2. 2. Enabling process (baptizing with the
3. Holy Ghost)

Vs. 36: “And looking upon Jesus as He walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God.”

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

BEHOLD THE SUPREME SACRIFICE OF GOD FOR MAN’S SINS.

Proof of John’s Knowledge: Verses 32-34

Reference is made in these verses concerning the Baptism of Jesus.

Vs. 34: “And I saw, and bear record that this is the Son of God.”

As we study these next verses we see Jesus as He begins His public ministry in the Gospel of John.

Vs. 38: Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and saith unto them,

WHAT SEEK YE?

HOW TO DEAL WITH THE SOULS OF MEN. EACH ONE IS DIFFERENT.

The first question of Jesus as He starts His public ministry.

REPLY? Where dwelleth thou?

We see man’s inability to answer the Lord’s question.

Vs. 39: “He saith unto them, come and see.

Jesus is calling us today to come and see and He will open our eyes to eternal life – and when they had accepted Him (Jesus) as their rabbi (master) Jesus said, COME,SEE.

Vs. 41: We see Andrew coming out, and hurrying away to find Simon with the

message: We have found the Messiah (The Anointed One) Christ.

Vs. 42: Jesus speaking to Simon – (Peter) was called Cephas, which is by

interpretation, A stone.

Andrew was first to respond to discipleship and follow; and began also

to point others to Christ. First his brother Simon.

Vs. 43: Jesus found Philip:

(Follow Me) – (Come and travel with Me)

“Philip findeth Nathaniel and said unto him,

Vs. 45: We have found Him, of whom Moses in the Law, and the Prophets,

did write, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.

Vs. 46: “And Nathaniel said unto him, Can there any good thing come out of

Nazareth?

Philip saith unto him, Come and See.”

Vs. 47: Jesus speaks to Nathaniel

“Behold and Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile.”

* no deceit, no crookedness
* who is transparent and open

Vs. 48: Nathaniel’s questions to Jesus:

How do you know me?

How do you know there is no guile?

How do you know about me?

“I SAW THEE”

Jesus’ answer to Nathaniel:

Vs. 48: “Before Philip called thee, when thou was under the fig tree”

“THOU ART THE SON OF GOD”

Vs. 49 It took a personal (revelation) from Jesus

about himself before Nathaniel confessed Jesus was the Son of God and King of (Vs. 50,51)

“THOU ART THE KING OF ISREAL.”

It took the Supernatural to cause Nathaniel to Believe. Then Jesus began to divinely speak to him of Revelation to come. (Heaven Open) – indicates without measure.

5 Disciples following Jesus –

1. John
2. Andrew
3. Peter
4. Philip
5. Nathaniel

The Primary Purpose of the Gospel is to lead men to **believe in Jesus Christ the only begotten Son of God for the Salvation of their soul**.

John 1:6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John.

7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, **that all men through him might believe.**

1:4 In him was **life;** and the **life** was the light of men.

The way The Truth The Life\_\_\_

* He has Light - He has Truth - He has Life
* He gives Light - He gives Truth - He gives Life
* He is the Light - He is the Truth - He is the Life

14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

1. A man sent from God 1:6
   1. For a witness
      * 1. To bear witness of the Light 1:7, 8
        2. To introduce Jesus to the world 1:29, 36
   2. That all men through Jesus Christ might believe.

John became a (channel) vessel of mercy for God to work through

His very name means Gracious

1. A man of Humility 1:8,19-27, 30

a. He that cometh after me is preferred before me 1:15, 27, 30

b. I am not the Christ

1Pe 5:5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth **grace to the humble**.

1. A man that understood the Word to be Jesus Christ, the Only begotten of the Father full of Grace and Truth

John knew the Law was not without Grace and he knew that Grace was not without Law.

a. He is the Word, The Word made flesh 1:1-3, 14

b. He is full of Grace and Truth 1:14, 16-17

c. He is Eternal 1:15-18

d. He is the Son of God 1:14, 18, 34, 49

e. He is the Light of Men, The True Light 1:4-5, 7, 9, 14

f. He is the Lamb of God 1:29, 36

g. He is the Master (Rabbi) 1:38, 49

h. He is the Messiah, Jesus Christ of Nazareth 1:41, 45

i. He is the King of Israel 1:49

j. He is the Son of Man, earth’s link to heaven 1:51 Isa 9:6 For unto us a **child is born**, unto us a **son is given**:

# Chapter 2 – He is the Son of Man

Vs. 1: “And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:”

Vs. 2: “And both Jesus was called, and His disciples, to the marriage.”

THE FIRST SIGN

THE OCCASION MASTER OF QUALITY

The first sign was given at a marriage at The Sacred hour of union, through which there is completed the image and likeness of God. It was a sacred hour, the hour of joy. Jesus was a bidden guest. He accepted the invitation.

Vs. 3: “And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto Him, they have no wine.”

Vs. 4: “Jesus saith unto her, woman, what have I to do with thee? Mine hour is not yet come.”

John Ch 7: Jesus said to His brethren, “My time is not yet come.”

In the same chapter it is declared that “No man laid his hand on Him because His hour was not yet come.”

John Ch 8: Jesus teaching in the temple. “And no man took Him because

His hour had not yet come.”

John Ch 12: The hour is come that the Son of Man should be glorified.”

(speaking to Greeks.)

John Ch 17: “Father, the hour is come.”

NOTE: His first reference to His Hour was made to His mother.

His last reference to His Hour was made to His Father.

SIGN

###### MASTER

OF QUALITY

The natural processes were hastened by the will of God.

Natural Process:

Water is always being transformed into wine in the vine. The vine mixes organic compounds, which are subtracted, form the air and soil, and combines water and other substances to produce wine. The water, which has become wine is not transubstantiated into wine. The water is still there, but there are other elements an compounds added.

John 2:1-11

Vs. 1: a) 1st day recorded – John 1:29

2nd day recorded – John 1:25

3rd day recorded – John 1:43,45; 2:1

The same day Nathaniel was called.

b) The marriage was in Cana of Galilee.

c) The mother of Jesus was there.

1. The presence of Mary being at Cana could very well mean that she has moved from Nazareth to Cana.

Mark 6:3 only mentions the sisters still being in Nazareth.

Vs. 2: Both Jesus and His disciples were called to the marriage.

1. This shows they are walking together and have become a part of each other.

Vs. 3: “They have no wine,” said Jesus’ mother. This typifies the joy of the Lord has

ceased.

Vs. 4: Jesus was not being disrespectful or rude or even offensive. He was

simply showing her and those around Him that He was the Son of God and

His time to be glorified was not at this time.

The hour of the full revelation of His Messianic claims had not come, nor did it

come in the temple, or by the lake, or in the feast day; and the specific time was about to fall and be hung on the cross when He said, “The hour has come.”

John 12:23; 13:1; 17:1

Vs. 5: Mary shows confidence in her son and Lord by encouraging the servants to

do whatsoever He may command.

NOTE: Obedience to Christ is always the believer’s duty, even though He

does not totally comprehend or even penetrate a little into the reasons for Christ’s commands. Gen. 41:55

The will of God plus the Word of God mixed with faith and obedience produces the wine of the Holy Spirit.

Vs. 6: a) “Pots of Stone” - used to preserve purity of water.

1. “After the manner of the purifying of the Jews”

They were accustomed to wash.

Matt. 15:2 Luke 11:38 Mark 7:3-5

Vs. 7: Jesus said fill the water pots with water – an indication here that the water

pots were emptied already for the purifying purposes. The vessels used once

to fulfill the religious rituals, now being used to fulfill obedience of the divine will.

Vs. 8: “And they bare it.”

1. They obeyed Christ’s command
2. As they obeyed, a miracle happened

Other examples –

1. Moses – “go forward” into the Red Sea.
2. Jesus – “take up thy bed and walk.”

Vs. 9: a) “Water that was made wine.”

There has been added to the water that which was not there before.

The same power that said, “Let there be light” called these elements and additional compounds together in a twinkling of an eye and performed the miracle of once water, but now is good wine. An indication here that the substance is and has been made better.

The Word made flesh, John 1:14

The Water made wine, John 2:9

b) “And knew not whence it was.”

1. Whence has it come?
2. Where has it been stored?
3. Whose is it?

The governor of the feast knew all the resources of the feast, but this puzzled him.

He knew that he had never tasted wine of this quality before.

Vs. 10: “But thou has kept the good wine until now.”

There was no reply from the bridegroom recorded after this statement was made. The silence was a good indication of his agreeing to the fact that it was good wine.

1. How can you refuse the joy of the Lord?
2. How can you better the joy of the Lord? YOU CANNOT make yourself satisfied without God without falling.

Vs. 11: a) “Beginning of miracles”

Jesus has unlimited resources at His disposal.

b) “His disciples believed on Him”

1. The extent of their belief was , God is unlimited.
2. They continued to follow Jesus.

God wants you to know Who He is and what He can do.

For you…through you

In you…Around you

Place: Cana of Galilee

Occasion: A marriage in Cana of Galilee

Need: Wine

Possessions:1) Water Pots

2) Firkins

1. Water
2. Good Attitudes
3. Submission
4. Obedience
5. Willing Hearts

REMEMBER:

The disciples were with Jesus (2:2)

Jesus did not come to the wedding to be romantic, put on a show, do magic, deceive, entertain, or excite the village people or bridegroom nor the governor of the feast. Not even Mary.

The object of Jesus being there was to convey to His disciples (those who believed that Jesus was one who is the Logos made flesh, whose Glory is that of an only begotten Son of God, who is the predestined baptizer with the Holy Ghost, who is the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world and the link and ladder between Heaven and earth, the announced Messiah and the Son of Man), a little something of His vast power which He has for meeting any emergency that arises in their future experiences ahead.

They were admitted to great superhuman power.

4 things shown in this passage by Jesus

1 – Perfect human sympathy

2 – His power over physical nature

3 – His abounding resources

4 – Glory of His love

Effect of the sign:

John 2:11 “And His disciples believed on Him.” This is all that is recorded of the effect of the sign. Only says disciples believed on Jesus.

1. The servants, bridegroom and the Governor of the feast knew their need was met.
2. The disciples knew who met the need. They now know that Jesus can meet every need from now until eternity.

* The water being made wine was a creative act.
* The finger of God and the will of the Creator determine the result.
* The first appearance of Jesus in Jerusalem (2:12-22)

What was the occasion? VS. 13 – the Passover of the Jews (1 time each year) represents the first exodus of Israelites (the Lord’s Passover) also the time of deliverance from Egypt.

3 Occasions To Remember –

1 - Feast of Passover

2 - Feast of Pentecost

3 - Feast of Tabernacles

What prevailed in the temple? Vs. 14,15 Merchandising or selling in God’s house. Jesus throwing out moneychangers (type of putting sin out).

NOTE: the emphasis of authority as Jesus cleansed the temple this feast time. Vs. 16-18 Jesus said take these things hence. My Father’s house, my house called the house of prayer. John 2:16 Matt. 21:13. Josephus recorded 256,5000 animals offered yearly. Their sacrificing was not of conviction but merchandising.

The Jews asked for a sign to prove His authority. John 2:18,19 Matt. 26:61

Word for temple – John 2:14; John 2:19 has 529 definitions

1. The house of God – place of worship
2. His own physical body

Also Jonah was both a sign and type of Christ’s death, burial and resurrection.

Vs. 15: “He drove them all out”

Matt. 21:12 Mark 11:15 Luke 19:45

(God puts out all sin and sinners.)

Vs. 20-22: The sign the Jews looked for was a political leader.

Vs. 23: Many believed what they saw with their eyes, but not with a heart experience.

Conclusion of Chapter 2 – Jesus making known that miracles are for today, but there are conditions. One cleansing of the Sanctuary. Put away unclean things even questionable (activities) such as (selling) any second-class activity or anything other than preaching God’s Word.

# Chapter 3 – He is the Divine Teacher

Interview with Nicodemus John vs. 3-15

Vs. 1 “There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews.”

* Nicodemus – means conqueror
* Ruler – leader
* Pharisee

Vs. 2 “The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto Him, RABBI, we know that

thou art a teacher come from God; for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.”

What type of person was Nicodemus?

1. Respectful – called Jesus Rabbi
2. Also he respected Jesus as a teacher
3. Knew He came from God
4. Knew God was with Him
5. Came to Jesus by night (to avoid persecution)

Vs. 3 “Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a

man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

What was Jesus’ reply?

1. Jesus’ reply was brief and unconditional (except)
2. It contained one straight command (ye must be born again)

Reason: you will not be able to see the kingdom of God

(Eph. 2:8-9 declares how new birth can be experienced.)

Vs. 4 “Nicodemus saith unto Him, how can a man be born when he is old? Can he

enter the second time into his mother’s womb and be born?

Why were Nicodemus’ questions improper?

He tried to understand with human reasoning.

Vs. 6 – 9 “How can these things be?”

Read Scriptures Rom. 8:4-14 – To please God we must be of the Holy Spirit.

Vs. 6 “That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is

Spirit.”

DO NOT CONFUSE FLESH WITH SPIRIT.

The spirit of a man can be completely regenerated; he can be born again. Then we see Jesus give Nicodemus a beautiful illustration. (vs. 8) You cannot understand the blowing of the wind, but you obey the law and gain its force; so with the Spirit. Do not postpone the new birth experience because of intellectual struggle. Obey the law of the wind, and the wind obeys you. Obey the law of the Spirit, and you will know the new birth.

Vs. 10 “Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a teacher (master) of Israel and

knoweth not these things?”

Vs. 11-12 “The things I have told you so far, you do not believe. How are you going

to believe if I tell you heavenly things?”

##### HOW?

But Jesus continued talking to him of heavenly things.

Vs. 15 “That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life.”

##### THAT IS HOW

Vs. 16 “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that

whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

##### THAT IS HOW

Vs. 17 “For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the

world through Him might be saved.”

THAT IS HOW

Vs. 19-21 He has sent the light –

HOW? Asked Nicodemus – Jesus said, through My death – love from the heart of God through His gift of eternal life; light through my mission in the world.

##### THAT IS HOW

We see three parts in the conversation between Jesus and Nicodemus. They are as follows:

1. In verses 2 and 3, we see Jesus and Nicodemus – Face to Face
2. In verses 4 – eight, we see Jesus and Nicodemus – Mind to Mind
3. In verses 9 – 22, we see Jesus and Nicodemus – Heart to Heart

A Great Principle – John 3:25-28

Vs. 27 “John answered and said, “A man can receive nothing, except it be given

him from heaven.

In these scriptures the men who came to John knew him.

* They believed in his ministry
* They had been influenced by it
* They were his disciples (They knew also about Jesus)
* They noted that both Jesus and John were proclaiming the same message

This Principle Applied Equally –

1. To John as the herald (voice)
2. To Jesus as the Messiah

The teaching is simple. It calls for recognition of the final, ultimate authority of Heaven. This leaves no room for any thought of competition or rivalry.

Vs. 28 “Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am

sent before Him.”

John is stating that his work had been authorized from Heaven. He is

claiming He was sent – not as Christ – but before Him as a voice.

What do we see in this next scripture?

John 3:30 “He must increase, but I must decrease.” John had the traits and

characteristics of a born-again believer. Here he shows great humility.

Vs. 29 He had heard the voice of the Bridegroom. John was showing the difference

between the voice and the word; the friend of the Bridegroom, and the Bridegroom Himself.

“He that hath the Bride is the Bridegroom, but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom’s voice: thus my joy therefore is fulfilled.

FAITH!

##### John 3:36

“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.”

NOTE:

The middle letter in the word F A **I** T H and the first letter in the word

**U** N B E L I E F.

(Our faith will determine our destiny.)

# Chapter 4 – He is the Soul Winner

The Period of Consideration

Verses 1-3 indicate a feeling gendered between disciples of John and Jesus.

They felt Jesus was making more disciples than John.

Things to note in Jesus meeting the Samaritan woman.

1. Vs. 4 Necessity He must needs go through Samaria

2. Vs. 6 Hour It was about the 6th hour – 12 Noon, in the heat the of

day

3. Vs. 7 His Appeal “Give Me to drink” Appealed on the basis of her

kindness

4. Vs. 9 Her reaction Why would a Jew ask a Samaritan for a drink?

5. Vs. 10 His secrecy (If you only knew) If you had asked, He

would have given you living water

6. Vs. 11,12 Her curiosity “Thou hast nothing to draw with” She makes a

comparison, art Thou greater than our father Jacob?

7. Vs. 13,14 His appeal Drink this water and you will thirst again, but,

whosoever drinks of the water that I shall give shall never thirst.

8. Vs. 15 Her comprehension “Sir, give me this water that I thirst not”

9. Vs. 16 His knowledge “Go call thy husband and come hither”

10. Vs. 17,18 Her emotional instability “I have no husband”

11. Vs. 20 Her defense “Our Fathers worshipped in this mountain.”

1. Jesus’ reply to the controversial issue she raised and to her deeper personal need.
2. Vs. 22 Salvation is of the Jews
3. Vs. 21.23 The hour cometh
4. Vs. 24 God is a Spirit – (worship) – Revelation, the worth of God
5. Vs. 25 I know the Messiah cometh
6. Jesus revealed Himself more openly to her than He did to Nicodemus.

Vs. 26 “I that speak unto thee am He.”

Know Jesus had not done this any other time.

1. Through the interview with the Samaritan woman we trace the rising estimate of Jesus in the woman’s thinking.

Progression Of Thought

1. Vs. 9 She called Him a Jew

2. Vs. 12 Suggested He might be greater than Jacob

1. Vs. 19 “I perceive that thou art a prophet”
2. Vs. 29 “Is not this the Christ?

The consequent belief of the Samaritans is noteworthy – a reaction that caused personal investigation.

Vs. 39 Samaritans believed because of her testimony.

Vs. 41 Many more believed because of His own word.

Notice what Jesus said to the disciples as the Samaritan woman brought a great group of people back to meet Him.

Vs. 30 People came out of the city to meet Jesus.

Vs. 35 “Look on the fields for they are ripe unto harvest” Jesus presents a

challenge. They were half Jew and half Gentile.

Jesus once again went to Galilee and there the people received Him.

Vs. 45 The people received Jesus because they saw the miracles at the

feast.

Note the healing of the Nobleman’s son – vs. 47 At the point of death

Vs. 48 (Rebuke) Except ye see the signs and wonders.

Vs. 49 The urgency of the nobleman – “Sir, come down ere my son die.”

Vs. 50 “Go thy way, they son liveth.”

Master of Distance

Jesus showed him he was the master of distance or space.

Some things to note in this miracle of healing.

1. Vs. 45 The Galilieans received Him relative to the works He had done in Jerusalem in John 2:23.
2. Note Jesus’ testimony in verse 44 and the reception He was receiving in Galilee. A prophet has no (respect) honor in his own country. Jesus was received in Galilee.
3. Compare Word again of verse 46 to John 2:11 Beginning of miracles in Cana of Galilee – manifested forth His glory and His disciples believed.
4. Notice an indication of Jesus’ weariness of being solicited for an exhibition of His powers.

Vs. 48 “Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe”

In verse 49 we see the heartfelt emphatic of a Nobleman over his son.

He was desperate and had no choice other than to trust God.. (spirit of desperation)

Belief depicts a faith born of necessity.

As we relate the event recorded in this Galilean ministry, we present three different types of faith.

1. The cautious and judicial venture of learned inquirer, Nicodemus, who came to Christ because of his desire to fit Him into a rational framework of thought.

John 3:2 The same came to Jesus by night.

7:50 He that cometh to Jesus by night.

19:39 And there came also Nicodemus, which at first came to Jesus

by night.

1. The second type of faith was a wistful yearning brought light only by Jesus’ persistent probing of the Samaritan woman’s heart.

Jesus is an all knowing God, He knows the thoughts and intents of the heart.

1. The third type was a result of desperation which compelled the Nobleman to exercise faith as the lesser difficulty of a hard choice.

Faith should be top priority at all times and not just because of a desperate situation.

The brief answer of Jesus.

Vs. 50 “Go thy way, thy son liveth”

Vs. 50b the man believed His word and went his way.

There is an emphasis on believing which is noteworthy.

Vs. 50 Belief depicted as a faith born of necessity.

Vs. 53 Belief in use of the term implies a voluntary faith in Jesus which was

promoted by gratitude.

The episode described the growth of this belief and its nature. It is not confined to one occasion nor to one type of work but involves confidence in Christ as a person who can be trusted with the dearest treasures and the deepest problems.

## Study Questions

## Chapters 1-4

1. What are the key verses to the Gospel of John? Give Scripture reference.

2. Name the 9 signs mentioned in the Gospel of John.

3. What is the Prologue?

4. Name two active persons in the Prologue.

5. What was the first miracle of Cana of Galilee?

6. What did this sign prove Jesus to be?

7. In Chapter three, with whom do we see Jesus having a conversation ?

8. What did Jesus tell him to do to have eternal life?

9. In Chapter four, why did Jesus go through Samaria?

10. How did Jesus reveal Himself more openly to the Samaritan woman?

11. Write this verse In John 4:35 - Jesus said, "Look on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

for they are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ already to harvest”.

12. The healing of the Nobleman's son showed Jesus to be the: Master of

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

13. What happened as a result of this miracle?

14. Name two contrasts of Faith.

15. What have you learned thus far from your study of the Gospel of John?

BONUS: Explain John 3:5.

# Chapter 5 – He is the Great Physician

The Period of Controversy

This is the account of the fourth sign in John’s Gospel. The chapter tells the story briefly, of the sign itself, and the controversy that it raised.

This chapter breaks into three sections:

1. The account of the sign from 5:1-9.
2. The account of the controversy that resulted from the sign from 5:10-18.

3. Jesus is the Son of God 5:19-47

Master of Time

THIS MIRACLE PROVED JESUS TO BE

THE MASTER OF TIME

**I. The Sign**

Vs. 5 “And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity thirty and eight years.”

Vs. 6 “When Jesus saw him lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case…”

The Man at the Pool – John 5:1-18

Vs. 1 Time of Miracle:

* There was a feast of the Jews which was the occasion of Jesus going back up to Jerusalem
* Jesus went up to Jerusalem

(It took place between Jesus’ visit to Judea and the Second Passover of His ministry.)

Vs. 2 Place of Miracle

* At Jerusalem
* By the Sheep market
* At the Pool of Bethesda

Preparation of the people at the pool: 5:3 “…a great multitude…”

Vs. 3 They waited for the moving of the water

Vs. 4 At a certain season an angel went down and troubled the water

Length of a certain man’s illness:

Vs. 5 He had been ill for 38 years

Vs. 6 He had been in that case for a long time

Jesus’ approach question:

Vs. 6 “Wilt thou be made whole?”

Impotent man’s reply:

Vs. 7 “Sir, I have no one to help me into the pool. While I am coming another steppeth down before me.”

Jesus’ command:

Vs. 8 “Rise,” You can now do the thing you couldn’t do before because I have spoken the word.

“Take up thy bed” A challenge to man’s will to arise to action.

“Walk” Do not expect to be carried.

Result: Basis of miracle is the will exercised

Vs. 9 “And immediately the man was made whole; and took up his bed, and walked: and on the same day was the Sabbath.”

JESUS, THE MASTER OF TIME,

IS THE SON OF GOD

**II. The Controversy**

Vs. 10 (The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, It is the Sabbath day – It is not lawful for you to carry thy bed.)

Jesus’ warning to him: - Jesus found him in the temple:

Vs. 14 Behold, thou art made whole:

Sin no more

Lest a worse thing come unto thee

(former trouble was a result of sin

38 years of suffering = 38 years of sinning)

Vs. 13 Then Jesus conveyed himself away, and the man did not know Who He was. Later on the same day, Jesus found him in the temple. The man had not been in the temple for 38 years. Now, he went into the temple and met with Jesus. Upon leaving he told the Jews it was Jesus who had made him whole. Vs. 15

NOTE: The first sign Jesus performed was in the realm of Creation and joy at Cana 2:10,11

The second sign was a sign in the realm of worship in the temple 2:15,16

The third sign was a sign in the realm of suffering and disease. 4:47,52

The fourth sign deals with the realm of morality and sickness. 5:14

Vs. 16 And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the Sabbath day.

Vs. 18 Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill Him, because he not only had broken the Sabbath but said also that God was His Father, making himself equal with God.

Vs. 17 “But Jesus answered them, my Father worketh hitherto, and I work.”

III. Jesus is the Son of God 5-19-47

THE CLAIMS OF JESUS – (John 5:19-28) - COMPARISONS

THE FATHER THE SON

Vs. 17 – Father worketh Vs. 17 –And I work

Vs. 18 – Equal with the Son Vs. 18 – Equal with the Father

Vs. 19 – Originated the Son’s work Vs. 20 – Perfect knowledge

Vs. 20 – Loved the Son Vs. 21 – Possesses life-giving

Vs. 20 – Shows the Son His words power

Vs. 21 – Shows the Son His works Vs. 23 – To be worshipped

Vs. 22,27 – Committed all judgment to the Son Vs.24 – Means of salvation

Vs. 23 – Receives worship of men Vs.25,28 – Will raise dead

Vs. 26 – Possesses life inseparable and forever Vs. 26 – So hath He given to

Vs. 26 – Endowed the Son with life the Son to have life in

Vs. 27 – Gave the Son authority to Judge Himself

VOICE OF THE SON OF GOD

Vs. 25 The dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God;

Vs. 28 All that are in the graves shall hear His voice,

Vs. 29 They that have done good – unto resurrection of life

They that have done evil – unto resurrection of damnation

Five witnesses were introduced by Jesus to validate His statements.

THE WITNESSES – 5:30-47

1. Vs. 30,31 The will of the Father which hath sent me
2. Vs. 32-35 – The witnesses of John the Baptist
3. Vs. 36 – Witness of the work He produced
4. Vs. 37,38 – Witness of the Father – (voice) – at Baptism, at transfiguration, after triumphant entry
5. Vs. 39-47 – Witness of the Scriptures

NOTE: Jesus taught that the Sabbath was made for man’s benefit and man’s needs must take precedence over the law of the Sabbath. The Jews put more value on the technicality of a ritual observance than the restoration of a man to life and righteousness.

JESUS CHARGED THEM WITH IGNORANCE

Vs. 37– Ye have neither heard His voice at any time, nor seen His shape.

Vs. 38 – Ye have not His Word abiding in you.

Vs. 38 – Him ye believe not.

Vs. 40 – Ye will not come to Me.

Vs. 42 – Ye have not the love of God in you.

Vs. 43 – Ye receive Me not.

Vs. 44 – Ye seek not the honor that cometh from God.

Vs. 47 – Ye believe not Moses’ writings, How shall ye believe My words?

SABBATH

The earliest Christians, most of whom were Jews, kept the seventh day as a Sabbath, but since the Resurrection of their Lord was the most blessed day in their lives. They began very early to meet for worship on the first day of the week (Acts 2:1), and designated it as the Lord’s Day. Paul directed the Corinthian Christians to bring their weekly offering to the charities of the church on the first day of the week (I Cor. 16:1,2).

As the split between the Jews and Christians widened, the Christians gradually shifted to meeting for worship on the Lord’s Day and gave up the observance of the seventh day.

Sabbath: Hebrew meaning, “to rest from labor” Gen. 2:2

The Sabbath was made for man, “as a day of Rest and Refreshment for the body and of Blessing for the soul…. The physical necessities of man require a Sabbath of Rest [a day also of Spiritual Rest.] The soul withers without it.

Chapter Conclusion

We Conclude chapter 5 with this statement:

The natural man’s mind has not been able to comprehend the works of God, simply because God’s Word says in Isaiah 55:8-9

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord.

For as the Heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.”

## Study Questions

Chapter 5

1. What great miracle of healing took place?

2. Why did this miracle of healing invoke enmity of the Jews?

3. How long had this man been ill?

4. What were the people at the pool waiting for?

5. What was Jesus question to the man?

6. Why was Jesus in Jerusalem at this time?

7. What was Jesus command to him?

8. What was the basis of Jesus challenge to him?

9. About what was Jesus warning the man after he was healed?

10. What controversy arose between the Jews as a result of this miracle?

*Study Questions: Chapter 5 cont’d*

11. This miracle proved Jesus to be the Master of?

12. Who will someday hear the “voice of the Son of God”?

13. What two resurrections do we see as a result of the “voice of the Son of God”?

14. Name five witnesses who were introduced by Jesus to validate His statements?

15. Jesus charged the Jews for being ignorant, what were these charges?

1. What is the Hebrew *meaning* of the word Sabbath?

Chapter 5

## Assignment I

**I. What are the scriptures?**

1. **What are we to understand by the Scriptures?**
2. **Why are we to search the Scriptures?**
3. **How are we to search the Scriptures?**

## Assignment II-Opposition

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# Chapter 6 – He is the Bread of Life

The Period of Controversy, continued

This is the account of the fifth and sixth miracles that support the Divinity of Jesus.

I. The feeding of the five thousand 6:1-15

1. The fifth sign
   1. Jesus testing faith

* “And this He said to prove him.” 6:6
* “This is the work of God that ye might believe.” 6:29
* “Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have no life in you.” 6:53
  + 1. The test
       1. “Whence shall we buy bread that these may eat?” 6:5
       2. “Make them sit down.” 6:10
       3. “Gather up the fragments.” 6:12
  1. Jesus increasing faith
* “Gather up the fragments that remain that nothing be lost.” 6:12
  + 1. The increase of bread 6:11
       1. Filled the multitude 6:12
       2. Filled twelve baskets 6:13
    2. The increase of temptation 6:14
       1. Lack of understanding
       2. Driving force, no leading (going in wrong direction with no clear vision)
    3. The increase of truth
       1. “This is of a truth that prophet” 6:14
       2. “It is I be not afraid” 6:20
       3. “Thou hast the words of eternal life 6:68

NOTE: Put it all together as it fits. Don’t just look at one fragment. Truth will keep you in the hard place (gather up every fragment).

II. The walking on the water 6:15-21

A. The sixth sign

1. Jesus proving His power over nature to our faith
   1. They see Jesus walking on the sea 6:19
   2. They see the ship immediately at the land 6:21
2. Jesus is Divine—Supernatural
   1. Walking on the water in the dark in the midst of a storm
   2. “They willingly received Him…and immediately the ship was at the land.”
3. Jesus is Divine and human
   1. “They see Jesus” 6:19
   2. “They willingly received Him” 6:21

III. The great discourse on the Bread of Life 6:22-59

A. “The Work of God” 6:29

1. Jesus perceiving their lack of faith 6:15,26,27
2. Jesus quickening faith 6:63,27,33,35,40,47,48,51,58
3. Jesus teaching a Word of Faith 6:59,45
   * “This is the work of God that men might believe.” 6:29
4. The Will of God

“That everyone which seeth the Son and believeth on Him may have everlasting life.”

1. “The Bread of God”

“He which cometh down from Heaven and giveth His life unto the world.”

1. The Son of God – “The Son of Man” 6:53,69

* “I live by the Father” 6:57

“LIVE BY ME”

“eat” – believe, receive, partake, be made one

1. Discipleship tested by Doctrine 6:60-66

A. The “Danger Zone”

* 1. “This is a hard saying” 6:60
  2. “What and if” 6:62
  3. “The flesh profiteth nothing” 6:63
  4. “There are some of you that believe not” 6:64
  5. “Walked no more with Him” 6:66
  6. “Will ye also go away?” 6:67

1. Peter’s confession of Faith 6:67-71
   * 1. “To whom shall we go?”
     2. “Thou hast the words of eternal life.”
     3. “We believe and are sure that Thou art the Christ the Son of the living God.” 6:69

# Chapter 7 – He is the Water of Life

The Period of Conflict

The Conflict is between faith and unbelief

John 7:1,19.23,30,32,44; 8:6,37,48,59; 9:22,34;10:20,31-33,39;11:8,16,46-57; 12:10

The three great movements of this chapter:

1. The first is connected with brothers and the rulers. Vv 1-13
   1. Jesus had four half-brothers whose names were James, Joses, Simon, and Judas. He also had some half-sisters who were not named.

Mt 13:55 Is not this the carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses, and Simon, and Judas?

56 And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man all these things?

John 7:1 After these things Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry, because the Jews sought to kill him.

John 7:5 For neither did his brethren believe in him.

2. Jesus Christ bore every imaginable suffering for man, even the

rejection of His own family. The very fact that He has borne all our sufferings shows that He is able to help us through any and every trial.

Heb 2:18 For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted. Heb 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. 2Co 1:4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

John 7:6 Then Jesus said unto them, My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready. 11 Then the Jews sought him at the feast, and said, Where is he?

3. The day of the Lord's acclaim had not yet come.

“My time”. That is His time according to Divine appointment.

Jn.2:4; 7:6; 8, 30, 39; 8:20; 12:23,27; 13:1;32; 16:32; 17:1

II. The second is connected with the citizens of the city and the Pharisees.

Vv 14-36

John 7:17 If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself.

1. The first response to their words was with the truth.

John 7:14 Now about the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and taught.

John 7:24 Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

1. The first cry was a cry of rebuke. Vv 28,29

John 7:28 Then cried Jesus in the temple as he taught, saying, Ye both know me, and ye know whence I am: and I am not come of myself, but he that sent me is true, whom ye know not.

29 But I know him: for I am from him, and he hath sent me.

III. The final day of the feast Vv 37-53

A. The second cry was a cry of invitation. Vv 37-38

The cry known as the great cry of the ages.

John 7:37 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.

38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

1. The Feast of Tabernacles was the most popular feast among the Jews. For that reason it was simply known as The Feast I Kings 8:20 It was also called The Feast of Ingathering (Ex.23:16) and The Feast of the Lord (Lev.23:39). The Feast of Tabernacles was celebrated for seven days. Each Jewish family built a small tent-like structure in their yard or upon some other property they owned or secured for the occasion. Then they moved out of their home into the tent for the seven day period. The Feast celebrated two significant events. Historically, it celebrated the day when Israel wandered about in the wilderness as strangers and pilgrims without a homeland. The purpose for moving into the tent was to keep before their minds the wilderness wanderings of their forefathers (Lev. 23:40-43) The Feast was to be a period of thanksgiving for the completion of the harvest season and for the goodness of God in all of life (Ex.23:16; Deut. 16:13-16)

The ceremony of the festival was most impressive and on each of the seven days, the people came to the temple and brought some fruit as an offering and a few palm and willow branches. The branches were used to form a roof over the altar. Then the priest took a golden pitcher and led the people in a processional down to the pool of Siloam where he filled the pitcher with water. During this march the people played the flute and sang the Hillel, which was Ps. 113-118

It was on the return march that the significant drama took place.

* As the pitcher of water passed through the Water Gate, the people repeated in unison: "With joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation" (Is. 12:3).
* When the pitcher reached the altar, the water was poured out over the altar as an offering to God. While this was being done, the people waved palm branches and recited the words "Save now, I beseech thee, O Lord: O Lord, I beseech thee, send now prosperity” (Ps.118:25).

The idea of the processional was a dramatic way to thank God for rain, and to offer prayer to God for more rain and for a fruitful season in the coming year. It was a dramatic way for the people to acknowledge their need and dependence upon God for the rains, the water that gave them the fruit of the ground and the bounty of life. The last day of the Feast was dramatic in particular, for the people repeated the processional seven times. Note a significant point: Scripture says the Feast of Tabernacles will be celebrated and fulfilled in the end time when our Lord returns. The Feast will apparently symbolize our joy, liberty, and victory through the wilderness experience of life and the glorious provision of God: the glorious provision of living eternally and worshipping and serving God throughout the universe (Zech. 14:16)

It was on "the last day, that great day of the feast," the day when the people marched in the processional seven times that Jesus made His claim. Can you imagine Jesus shouting His claim just as the people finished saying, "Send now prosperity"

Imagine the scene: Jesus did two unusual things. He "stood" (a teacher always sat in that day), and He "cried out" shouting loudly. Both actions would startle and shock the people to attention. Picture thousands of voices praying to God for the living rains in the coming season, reciting: "Send now prosperity," and then piercing the air comes the thundering cry:

**37… If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.**

**38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.**

a. Jesus Christ is the source of life

Jn. 1:4; 3:15, 16, 18, 36; 4:14, 36; 5:24, 26, 39-40; 6:27, 33, 35, 40, 47-48, 51, 53-54, 63, 68; 8:12; 28; 11:25; 12:25, 50; 14:6; 17:3; 20:31

b. Jesus Christ is the source of life in abundance.

John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

**Jn.7:39** c. Jesus Christ is the source of the Holy Ghost.

John 7:12 And there was much murmuring among the people concerning him: for some said, He is a good man: others said, Nay; but he deceiveth the people.

John 7:43 So there was a division among the people because of him.

* + - * 1. Prophet
        2. Christ Messiah

John 7:50-53 There is no counsel against the Lord.

Study Questions

Chapter 7

1. What group of people sought to kill Jesus? v. 1

2. What feast day is mentioned? v. 2

3. What three phrases are mentioned in verses 6, 8, and 30?

4. What three attitudes are mentioned in verses 1 and 12?

5. What great question was aroused when Jesus taught in the temple? v. 14, 15

6. Give the different responses of the different groups.

a. Brothers v. 2-9

b. Rulers v. 10-19

c. Citizens v. 20-31 (20, 26)

d. Pharisees v. 32-34

e. Superficial Response v. 40

f. The Division v. 41-44

g. Open Hostility v. 45-49

h. Nicodemus v. 50-51

7. What did Jesus do on the last day of the feast? v. 37-39

# Chapter 8 – He is the Defender of the Weak

(Period of Conflict, *continued*)

Here we have a scene showing His gallant defense of a fallen woman.

I. The Woman taken in Adultery. 8:1-11

A. “In the very act.”

1. They were both guilty of the serious sin of adultery, a sin that affects so many lives. Under Jewish law it was considered so serious that both parties were to be stoned to death (Leviticus 20:10; Deut. 22:13-24).

2. The Grace of God was shown to this woman, to all the Scribes and Pharisees that was there and for the man that was guilty as well.

B. The Woman’s response

1. “set in the midst” v.3

2. “standing” v.9

3. “no man Lord” v.11

C. Grace and Law

1.  The religionists saw a chance to test Jesus, so they took the woman

before Him, hoping to discredit Him.

1. If Jesus said the woman was not guilty, He would be breaking Jewish law and be leaving Himself open to the charge of being too lenient with sin.
2. If Jesus said the woman was guilty and should be killed, He would be breaking Roman law which did not consider adultery a sin worthy of death. He would also be criticized as lacking mercy and love, compassion and forgiveness for He was known to be the friend of sinner’s.
   1. Jesus saw the opportunity to convict them so He wrote in the sand twice, hoping to save them.

a. They found the law more binding under law than under Grace and they

all went out one by one.

b. The words to the woman were meant for all, neither do I condemn

thee go and sin no more.

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II . The Light of the World with the Light of Life. 8:12-20

Jn.8:12

A. Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world:

1. Jesus used the term "light of life." A man exists in darkness until He follows Christ. The meaning, purpose, and significance of life cannot be seen and known apart from following Christ. It is Christ who throws light upon life, revealing what life really is.

2. 8:13 They knew exactly what He was claiming, that He was the Messiah and that He alone could give light to the world. In their mind only God could give light to the world and they were not willing to accept the fact that He truly is the Son of God. Their charge against Him is That He alone was bearing witness to His claim. In their minds He had no other witnesses; therefore, His claim was false so they say.

3. 8:18 Jesus is the Son of God, the Light of the World

(God is Light) and He is a witness for Christ.

B. he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness,

1.  A man does not possess light, not within himself, not by nature. Men are in darkness by nature. Men are walking in darkness without Christ.

2. A man is delivered out of “darkness” by following Jesus Christ. The word "followeth" is a continuous action. A man must continue to follow in order to receive more and more light.

C. but shall have the light of life.

1. Man’s great need is to see and to have the Light of Life.

2. Every Believer has a responsibility to bear witness of that light.

3. Every believer has the responsibility to manifest the Life of Jesus.

III. The Unbelievers warned of dying in their sin. 8:21-59

A. God’s purpose is one for the believer.

1. John 8:51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall

never see death.

B. God’s judgment is against unbelief, doubt and sin.

1. 8:15 Ye judge after the flesh; I judge no man.

2. 8:16 And yet if I judge, my judgment is true: for I am not alone, but I

and the Father that sent me.

3. 8:19 Where is thy Father?

4. 8:21 ye shall die in your sins

5. 8:24 I said therefore unto you, that **ye shall die in your sins**: for if ye

believe not that I am he, **ye shall die in your sins.**

6. 8:25 Who art thou?

7. 8:27 they understood not.

8. 8:33 How sayest Thou, ye shall be made free?

9. 8:34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever

committeth sin is the servant of sin.

35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth

ever. 36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

8:37 I know that ye are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because

my word hath no place in you.

38 I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which

ye have seen with your father.

10. 8:39 Abraham is our father.

11. 8:41 Ye do the deeds of your father. Then said they to him, We be not

born of fornication; we have one Father, even God.

12. 8:44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will

do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth,

because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of

his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

45 And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not.

13. 8:48 Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that

thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil?

14. 8:52 “now we know that Thou hast a devil”

15. 8:53 “whom makest Thou thyself”

16. 8:57 “hast Thou seen Abraham”?

17. John 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before

Abraham was, **I am.**

18. 8:59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself,

and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so

passed by.

IV. The True Character of a disciple is to continue in the Word. 8:31-37

A. The conditions for being a true disciple.

1.  The first condition is belief: "Many believed on Christ" (8:30).

2. The second condition that completes the experience of deliverance and salvation. It is that of continuing or **abiding** in the Word. The idea is that of **dwelling**, just as a person dwells at home. The Word of the Lord is the believer's **dwelling place**. He continues and abides in God's Word. Very simply, what Jesus was saying is this:

A person who really begins to believe will "continue" in the Word. He will continue both to study and to do the Word (II Tim. 2:15)

A person who does not really believe will not "continue" in the Word.

The proof and the evidence that a person "really believes" is that he does "continue" and abides and dwells in the Word.

The proof and the evidence that a person has made only a false or superficial profession is that he does not "continue" in the Word.

  B. The results of continuing in the Word.

1. The first result is that the true believer will know the truth

2.  The second result is that the true believer will be made free.

V. The Perfect test of Sonship 8:38-45

A. 8:38 **I speak** that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye

have seen with your father.

1.  What Christ speaks is what He has seen with His Father.

a. Christ’s Message

* Man must believe on Him (John 8:31).
* Man must "continue” in His Word 8:31
* Man is enslaved by sin by committing sin. 8:34

2. What man does is what he sees and hears with his father.

1. “The lusts of your father you will do.” 8:44
2. “Ye believe me not” 8:45

VI. Things that lead to being a Perfect Man 8:46-50

A. 8:46 Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not

**believe me**?

(SIN NOT)-SINLESSNESS

B. 8:49 I honor My Father.

C. 8:50 I seek not mine own Glory.

D. 8:16 If I judge My judgment is true

VII. The Conflict and the Victory 8:51-59

A. 8:53 **Art thou greater than our father Abraham**, which is dead? and the

prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself?

B. 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham

was, I am.

I Am from Above 8:23

 I Am the Light of the World 8:12

(I Am) before Abraham was, I am (Eternal) 8:58

C. 8:59 Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and

went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by.

## Study Questions

Chapter 8

1. Jesus Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. The\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ was taken in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

3. She was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the very \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. What are the words that Jesus gave to the woman that could be received by all

that believe in Jesus? v. 11

5. Jesus as the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

6. Every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ believer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the life of Jesus.

7. Ye \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. v. 24

8. God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and sin.

9. What are the two conditions given for being a true disciple?

10. Give the things that lead to a perfect man.

# Chapter 9 – He is the Light of the World

John 9:5 As long as I am in the world, **I am the light of the world.**

He demonstrates His right to this distinction by giving light to one who was born blind.

John 9:1 And **as Jesus passed** by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth

John 9:2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, **who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?**

John 9:3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: **but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.**

1. As Jesus passed by

* John 9:4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.
* John 9:5 As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.
* Luke 19:10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.
* 1Jo 3:8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.
* John 9:39 And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.
* John 9:41 Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.

1. Jesus saw their Blindness-**so he looked mainly for the blind man to heal.**

* Born blind physically and spiritually

1. The Works of God
2. Out cast
   1. We must care like Jesus Cares.
   2. We must see the Work’s of God manifest.
   3. We must act on God’s Word
   4. We must believe on the Son of God
   5. We must first confess that we are a sinner and we are blind.

John 9:7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) John 9:7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam One measure of obedience required and the blind now could see.

John 9:10 Therefore said they unto him, **How were thine eyes opened?**

* John 9:6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

7 And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

* John 9:11 He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.
* John 9:15 Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.
* John 9:24 Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.

1. He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

* John 9:26 Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?
* 27 He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? will ye also be his disciples?
* John 9:30 The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes.
* John 9:32 Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

John 9:35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, **Dost thou believe on the Son of God?**

36 He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

37 And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that **talketh with thee.**

**John 9:39 And Jesus said**, For **judgment** I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

The worst blindness is to be blind spiritually and don’t even know it.

John 9:41 Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth. Rev. 3:17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

**Blind to the Works of God**

I. The light of the World is the creator

John 9:6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and **made clay** of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

John 1:3 All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

4 In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

Ge 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

1. The Light of the World is the Redeemer

John 9:6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the **spittle**, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,

De 25:9 Then shall his brother's wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and loose his shoe from off his foot, and spit in his face, and shall answer and say, So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

The spittle was a sign he needed to be redeemed and he couldn’t redeem himself.

1. The Light of the World is the Healer

John 9:6 When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and **he anointed the eyes** of the blind man with the clay,

Ac 9:9 And he was three days without sight, and neither did eat nor drink. 18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

1. The Light of the World is the Saviour

John 9:7 And said unto him, **Go, wash** in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.

Isa 50:10 Who is among you that feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light? let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.

**Whence He Is**

John 9:29 … as for this fellow, we know not from whence he is.

John 5:39 Search the scriptures…and they are they which testify of me.

John 5:46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for **he wrote of me.**

Luke 24:25-27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

*Gen. 22:8; Isa. 7:14; 9:6; 53:5; Micah 5:2*

Mt 19:4 … **Have ye not read**….

Mt 4:4 But he answered and said, **It is written**, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

*Deut. 8:3*

Mark 12:24 And Jesus answering said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?

*Gen. 2:23-24; 3:15*

Six Dialogues of John Chapter 9

1. vs. 8-12 Between the healed man and the Neighbors.

* Is not this he that sat and begged?
* How were thine eyes opened?
* Then said they unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not.

2. vs. 13-17 Between the healed man and the Pharisees.

* The Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight.

3. vs. 18-23 Between the healed man’s Parents and the Pharisees.

* V.19, And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?
* V.22, These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.
* V.23, Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

4. vs. 24-34 Between the healed man and the Pharisees.

* V. 24 Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.
* V. 25 He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.
* V. 26 Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?
* V. 27 He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? will ye also be his disciples?
* V. 30 The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes.
* V. 34 They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out.

5. vs. 35-38 Between the healed man and Jesus.

* V. 35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?
* V. 38 And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

6. vs. 39-41 Between Jesus and the Pharisees.

* V. 39 And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.
* V.40 Are we blind also?
* V. 41 Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.

**John 8:12**

Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

**John 12:46**

I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.

Study Questions

Chapter 9

1. Jesus is the \_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. How did Jesus demonstrate His right to this distinction?

3. Why was the blind man allowed to be born blind and remain blind so long?

4. Why was Jesus looking mainly at a blind man?

5. Where did the Lord send the blind man to go and wash?

6. When did the blind man start seeing? v. 7

7. What day of the week was it that He healed him on?

8. They were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God.

9. Write John 8:12 word for word.

10. I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness Find this reference.

# Chapter 10 – He is the Good Shepherd

He watches over “the flock” with infinite care and gives His life for His sheep.

John 10:2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

John 10:11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

John 10:14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

John 10:15 … lay down my life for the sheep.

John 10:1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the **door** into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

John 10:9 **I am the door**: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

Christ is altogether the door, the shepherd, Salvation and the pasture. His pasture is

* The Bread of life John 6:35,48
* The Water of Life John 4:14; 7:37,38; Rev. 21:6; 22:1,17
* The Light of Life John 8:12; 12:46
* **The Door of Life John 10:5,9**
* The Shepherd of Life John 10:11,14,15

**John 10:5** And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.

**John 10:10a** The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy:

A Thief and a Robber is a Strange Voice

The strange voice can be the voice of...

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| •  false religion  •  false science (evolution)  •  false psychology  •  false philosophy | •  humanism (abortion)  •  materialism  •  worldliness (homosexuality)  •  fame |

→Eph 2:18 For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

→Heb 10:19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

*Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the* ***sheepfold,*** *but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. —* John 10:1

Through Christ, by the Spirit, In Christ

in the place of acceptance

in the Way of truth

in Holiness

in Love with the Lord

in The Faith

**There is no other way but death🡪** I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. 10:10b

John 10:2 But he that entereth in by the door is the **shepherd** of the sheep.

* John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
* John 10:15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: **and I lay down my life for the sheep.**

**John 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.**

**Therefore doth my Father love me**: because I lay down my life. Although the Father had many reasons to love the Son, yet none was stronger than this obedience to death, even the cursed death of the cross, for the redemption and salvation of lost sinners; therefore did the Father love him with a more exceeding love, because he laid down his life for his sheep.

He laid down his life for the sheep

He took back his life

John 10:3 To him the **porter** openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out. John 14:16-18

* 16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be **one fold**, and **one shepherd.**

“This fold” Eph 2:14 … hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

* John 10:9 I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. 2 Cor. 5:21

John 6:35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

**John 6:48** I am that bread of life.

**John 5:24** Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

**John 10:10** The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it **more abundantly**.

**John 10:1-40**

The Man that Jesus healed and that the Pharisees excommunicated him is the background of this Parable. (Jn.9)

1. The True Shepherd comes to the sheepfold of Israel.

**Matt 10:6** But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

**Matt 15:24** But he answered and said, I am not sent but unto the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

2. Israel has gotten away from the Plan and Purpose of God.

**John 1:11, 12** He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

3. Thieves have stolen away the sheep.

**Isaiah 53:6-12**

… have turned every one to his own way…

…He was taken from prison and from judgment…

9 And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth.

10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

12 Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

John 10:1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

John 10:8 All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

The Parable and Teaching of the Good Shepherd

John 10:1 **Verily, verily, I say unto you**, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

**Ye must be born into the fold**

**1**. Thieves and Robbers have entered into the sheepfold of Judaism.

**2**. One could work his way into organized religion but not into Salvation.

**3**. Jude 1:4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old

ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into

lasciviousness and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

**4**. Must be Born again, of the Spirit to be in the fold of the Family of God. Jn.3:3-7

**5**. Must be Baptized by the Spirit into the Body of Christ. I Cor.12:13

**6**. Must be fully redeemed and accounted worthy by the Lord to escape all.

Luke 21:28, 36

**7.** Revelation 3:8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no

man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

Rev 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

John 10:2 But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

**Shepherding Sheep**

**8**. Christ is the Shepherd of the sheep and every man of God that he gives is

responsible for the souls in the Church.

Heb. 13:20; I Pt. 2:25; 5:4; Acts 20:28; I Cor. 12:28; Eph. 4:11-14

**9**. Rev. 3:20 Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

**10**. John 14:23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my

words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.

John 10:3 **To him the porter openeth**; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and **leadeth them out.**

**Door Keepers**

**11**. All that the Holy Ghost reveals to us about Christ we need to follow. John 16:13-16

**12**. II Cor 3:17 Now the Lord is that Spirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is

liberty.

II Cor 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Mark 13:32-37

32 But …that hour knoweth no man, … neither the Son, but the Father. 33 Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is. 34 For the Son of man is as a man taking a far … commanded the porter to watch.

35 Watch ye … at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning: 36 Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. 37 And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

**The Son of man is as a man taking a far journey He gave authority to his servants He gave every man his work He commanded the porter to watch.**

1. The Son as a man was in total submission to the Father not knowing everything but always watching.
2. You know that He is coming, you don’t know just when.
   1. Evening First watch Before tribulation
   2. Midnight Second watch Middle of tribulation
   3. Cockcrowing Third watch Middle of tribulation
   4. Morning Fourth watch End of tribulation

Luke 12:35-40

35 Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; 36 And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, **when he will return from the**

**wedding**; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open …

37 Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. 38 And if he shall come **in the second watch, or come in the third watch**, and find them so, blessed are those servants.

39 And this know, that if the goodman what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.

40 Be ye therefore ready also for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.

Luke 21:28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.

Luke 21:36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

Romans 8:19 For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

Romans 8:23 … but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body

I Cor. 16:13 Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

I Thess. 5:1, 2, 6

1 But of the times and the seasons, … ye have no need that I write unto you. 2 For yourselves know perfectly … the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

I Peter 3:20 Which …when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.

I Peter 4:7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye … sober, and watch unto prayer.

II Peter 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away … the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Rev. 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and **every eye shall see him,** …

Prov. 8:34 Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

Luke 12:37 Blessed … whom the lord when he cometh shall **find watching**:

Ephesians 5:14 Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

Ephesians 6:18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and **watching** thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

I Peter 4:7 But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

Christ has warned all to **watch.** Not one is exempt from watching Every single man is to watch. •  “ take ye heed, watch and pray" •  “commanded the porter to watch” •  "watch ye therefore" •  don’t be caught "sleeping" •  "what I say unto you **I say unto all, Watch**"

Rev. 3:3 Remember … thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Romans 13:11-12

11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.

12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.

Psalm 84:10…I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in…wickedness

Isaiah 21:11 The burden of Dumah…Watchman, what of the night? Watchman what of the night?

# Chapter 11 – He is the Resurrection and the Life

He proves His right to this title by calling Lazarus from the tomb.

John 11:1 Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.

John 11:4 When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.

for the glory of God

that the Son of God might be glorified

John 5:23 That all men should honor the **Son**, even as they honor the **Father**. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent him.

John 11:14-15

14 Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.

15 And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.

His sickness was to help strengthen the disciples' faith.

He was rejoicing that He was not in Bethany when Lazarus was sick.

16 Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.

Thomas thought only danger if they would go toward Jerusalem

•   A deep love for Christ, that was ready to die for Him.

•   A willingness to stand and to die with his fellow believers in the Lord's work.

•   A knowledge to die for Christ is better than to live without Him.

19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.

20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.

21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.

22 But I know, that even now, **whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.**

23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

John 11:25-26

25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

John 11:35 Jesus wept.

Jesus wept because of their unbelief.

John 11:39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.

**Take ye away the stone**.

Remove every hindrance- take away every stumbling block to your faith.

John 11:40 Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?

John 11:43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.

John 11:44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them,

**Loose him, and let him go.**

Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.

They wrapped him up now they must unwind him.

They doubted, now they have to believe.

John 11:54 Jesus therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but went thence unto a country near to the wilderness, into a city called **Ephraim**, and there **continued with his disciples.**

Jesus did everything for a reason. More than just seeking rest from persecution but always doing the will of the Father protecting the disciples and preparing them.

This place was not too far from where He had been tempted of the devil.

Not too far from where Joshua fought his first hard battle in the Promised Land.

Joshua 8:24 And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword. **BETWEEN BETHEL AND AI**

There are some very interesting points to be made concerning the places associated with the name **Ephraim**.

Joshua gave Ephraim to the tribe of Judah,

Joshua 15:9 And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount **Ephron**; and the border was drawn to Baalah, which is Kirjathjearim:

II Chron 13:19 And Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and *took cities* from him, Bethel with the towns thereof, and Jeshanah with the towns thereof, and **Ephrain** with the towns thereof.

II Chron 13:4 And Abijah stood up upon mount Zemaraim, which is **in mount Ephraim**, and said, Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel;

Jeremiah 4:15 For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth affliction from mount Ephraim.

Jeremiah 7:15 And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim.

Jeremiah 31:6 For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.

Jeremiah 31:9 They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

Jeremiah 31:18 I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus; Thou hast chastised me, and I was chastised, as a bullock unaccustomed to the yoke: turn thou me, and I shall be turned; for thou art the LORD my God.

Jeremiah 31:20 Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a pleasant child? for since I spake against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my bowels are troubled for him; I will surely have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 50:19 And I will bring Israel again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.

Ezekiel 37:16 Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions:

Ezekiel 37:19 Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

# Chapter 12 – He is the King

Joh 12:1 Then Jesus **six days before the passover** came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead.

The Passover Week

From Ephraim to Bethany to **Jerusalem** 11:54 – 12:1 – 12:12

JESUS arrives and dines at BETHANY. (From Friday afternoon till Saturday Night, March 31 and April 1, A.D. 30.) Joh 11:55-12:11; Mt 26:6-13; Mr 14:3-9

Joh 12:2 There they made him a supper; and Martha served: but **Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him**.

Mt 26:6 Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house **of Simon the leper**,

Mr 14:3 And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an alabaster box of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box, and poured it on his head

Martha served (Lazarus and Simon the leper) people Jesus heals dine together.

Mary came and anointed Jesus with the pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly.

1. The King’s Influence

Joh 12:2 There they made him a supper; and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that **sat at the table with him.**

**Song of Solomon 1:12**

**While the king sitteth at his table**, my spikenard sendeth forth the smell thereof.

“While the king sitteth at His table” – While Jesus is king of our life!

People carry a fragrance or a spirit that will affect you. The Bride’s life is affected by the bridegroom. What He is, she is becoming. ?

Spikenard is very costly and precious. It is usually sealed oil.

In His presence there is a fragrance.

* 1. The Spikenard of Humility

Joh 12:3 Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet with her hair: and **the house was filled with the odour of the ointment.**

It is only as Jesus controls our heart, that we become what we ought to be for God. This aspect of Humility will never be until He sits on the throne of our hearts.

***Which one of us is humble?***

The Lord puts us through a process that we may become broken.

It is only as He breaks us that we can be humble.

In the years of our experience, we can talk of people who have been broken and it destroyed them and not humbled them. The reason why it destroyed them is because He was not king. If the Lord is not resident in our life and crushing experiences come they will destroy you, but if He is resident then all that will happen is the sweet fragrance of Him will come to life.

**Mark 14:3**

And being in Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat, there came a woman having an **alabaster box** of ointment of spikenard very precious; and she **brake the box**, and poured it on his head.

As our lives our broken and He is resident, there is going to be sweetness.

When the lord is not King, then the hard times make a person hard, bitter, stubborn,

or ugly. God never does anything to help us, but is working out good for us. It takes

Him to be in residence so that when we are squeezed so, the fragrance of Jesus

may fill the atmosphere instead of bitterness.

* 1. The Spikenard of Gratitude

John 12:1 Then Jesus six days before the passover came to Bethany, where **Lazarus was which had been dead, whom he raised from the dead.**

* Mary was glad for her Brother
* Mary was glad for her King

John 12:3 Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard, very costly

**Song of Solomon 1:5**

I am **black, but comely**, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, **as the curtains of Solomon**.

Everything we have we have by His grace. It is when we understand this that we can understand true worship.

**John 4:23**

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father **in spirit and in truth**: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

The bride is going to be filled with gratitude and real true worship. **She will not need anyone to coax her to praise God.** As you begin to worship God, His presence becomes stronger and the more you can worship. It is a cycle. It is not hard to worship when the Lord is present.

1. The first anointing Luke 7:36-50

* Anointed for living, service and Ministry

2. The second anointing John 12:1-11

* Anointed for overcoming death and going to the throne.

3. The Triumphant entrance John12:12-15

a. John 12:13 Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him,

and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.

To carry palms was a mark of triumphant homage to a victor or a king.

The palm was an emblem of joy, victory and Glory.

Palm-trees grew on the Mount of Olives on the road from Bethany to Jerusalem.

The crowds (one in front and one behind, Mark 11:9; Mt 21:9; John 12:18) cut the branches as they came.

Joh 12:13 Took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Ps 118:25-26

b. John 12:14 And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon;

as it is written,

Mt 21:7

The Purpose of Christ is to show He is the Messiah

This was symbolized clearly in the riding of the young colt.

The colt was a noble animal. It was used as a beast of service to carry the burdens of men, it was used by Kings when they entered a city in peace, they rode a colt to symbolize their peaceful purpose.

When a King entered a city as a conqueror, he rode a stallion.

Jesus was demonstrating two things for the people:

* First, He was the promised King, the Suffering Savior of the world
* Second, that He was not coming as the conquering King. His mission was not to come as a worldly potentate, in pomp and ceremony, not to be the leader of an army to kill, injure and maim; The Messiah was coming as the Savior of Peace who had been sent to save.

He was coming to show men that God is the God of Everlasting love.

The colt was a symbol of peace. Jesus came to bring peace.

The remaining chapter is filled with many challenging verses

* John 12:16 These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and that they had done these things unto him.
* John 12:21 The same came therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee, and desired him, saying, **Sir, we would see Jesus.**
* John 12:24 Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: **but if it die**, it bringeth forth **much fruit**.
* Joh 12:25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.
* Joh 12:26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honor.
* Joh 12:28 Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.
* Joh 12:32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.
* Joh 12:42 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many **believed on him**; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue:
* Joh 12:44 ¶ Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him that sent me.
* Joh 12:46 I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness.
* Joh 12:48 He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.

# Chapter 13 – He is the lowly Servant

John 13:1 **Now** **before the feast of the passover**, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.

**Now** **before the feast of the Passover**

The disciples have their plan and ideas of the day **but the Lord comes by with a greater lesson.**

**V.2 supper being ended**

**v.5 After that… He began to wash the disciples feet**

**Organized religion or mere devotion can’t produce of itself what the Lord has.**

The institution of foot washing 13:4-17

The feast of the Passover

The last supper – John 13:1-38

John 13:17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

John 13:1… having loved His own… He loved them unto the end.

The new commandment is to love as Christ loved

Joh 13:34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

35 By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Joh 13:36 Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goest thou? Jesus answered him, Whither I go, thou canst not follow me now; but thou shalt follow me afterwards.

Joh 13:37 Peter said unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now? I will lay down my life for thy sake.

Joh 13:38 Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice.

Peter's commitment was a carnal, fleshy and selfish commitment.

It was caused by not knowing his weaknesses. Peter's self-image was strong and He saw himself as being above sin and failure. He thought that He would die for Jesus before He would deny Him.

Job 23:4 I would order my cause before him, and fill my mouth with arguments.

# Chapter 14 – He is the Consoler

John 14:1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, **my peace** I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in **my name**, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

**Prepared places for prepared people**

John 14:2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

* Luke 1:17 And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready **a people prepared for the Lord.**
* Re 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.
* 8 And to her was granted that she should be **arrayed in fine linen**, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

**A Spiritual body (house) for our Soul**

2Co 5:1 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

2Pe 1:13 Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance;

14 Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

**New Jerusalem**

Rev.21:2-27

Re 21:2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, **prepared** as a bride adorned for her husband.

John14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

14:9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? **he that hath seen me hath seen the Father**; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?

* 1. Ye believe in God, believe also in me.
* 2. In my Father's house
* 10 the Father that dwelleth in me
* 11. I am in the Father, and the Father in me:
* 12. I go unto my Father
* 13. That will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
* 16 And **I will** pray **the Father**, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that he may abide with you for ever;
* 17 Even the Spirit of truth;
* 26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

**The father, The Son and The Holy Ghost make up the Godhead**

* I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

The Son has made it possible for the believer to be made like Him.

12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, **He that believeth on me**, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will doo it.

→Tremendously important Promises for the believer

* The Works that I do shall he do also;
* **Greater** **works** than these shall he do
* **Whatsoever** ye shall ask in my name, that will I do

John 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

15 If ye love me, **keep my commandments**.

21 He that hath **my commandments**, and keepeth them, he it is that **loveth me**: and he that loveth me shall be **loved of my Father**, and **I will love him**, and will **manifest myself** to him. 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will **keep my words**: and **my Father will love him**, and we will come unto him, and **make our abode** with him.

24 He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

# Chapter 15 – He is the True Vine

15:1 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

We see Jesus as the source of all spiritual fruit.

I. My Father is the husbandman. 15:1-8

* 1. **I am the True Vine**
     1. Ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.
     2. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.
     3. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.
     4. If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
  2. **Ye are the Branches**

1. Every branch must bear fruit

2. Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he

taketh away

3. Every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it,

4. That it may bring forth more fruit.

5. If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them,

6. Cast them into the fire, and they are Burned.

* + - * 1. There is the fire test
        2. There is Judgment
        3. There is Eternal Judgment
        4. The Word is the best test

The word is for your spirit

The test is for your Body, Soul and Spirit

Zec 3:2 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

Zec 3:10 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree.

II. Herein is my Father Glorified

1. **That ye bear much fruit;** 
   * + 1. Quantity Measure
       2. Quality Magnificence
       3. Abundance Magnitude (great –Large quanity)
2. **So shall ye be my disciples**.

1. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in **my love**. V.9

2, If ye keep **my commandments**, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love. v.10

3. 15:11 These things have I spoken unto you, that **my joy** might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

4. 14:27 Peace I leave with you, **my peace** I give unto you:

5. Gal. 5:22-23 All the fruit of the Spirit

6. 14:13 And whatsoever ye shall ask

in **my name**, that will I do,

**that the Father may be glorified in the Son.**

7. 15:7 Abide in me and my words abide in you

John 8:31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;

32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

**C. We are delivered**

1. 15:10 Keep my commandments

2. 15:14 Ye are my friends

3. 15:16 I have chosen you 19, out of the world

4. 15:16 I have ordained you

5. 15:20 Remember the word

III. John 15:26 But when the **Comforter is come**, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even **the Spirit of truth,** which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

* + - * 1. 15:2, 5, 8, 16, Bear fruit
        2. 15:27 Bear Witness

We that have witnessed the truth bear it, wherever we go.

John 15:27 And **ye also shall bear witness,** because ye have been with me from the beginning.

Isa 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: 7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged. 8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, **Here am I; send me**.

* 1. The Vinedresser is the Husbandman, who is the Husbandman?
  2. The organized religion is the vineyard (Isa. 5:1-7)( Ps 80:8; Isa 27:2; Jer 2:21, Song 8:12), who is the true Vine?

3. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, The Father is

the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , The believers are the\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4. Why are branches taken away from the Vine?

5. Why are fruitful branches purged?

6. How are fruitful branches purged?

7. What happens to unattached branches?

8. Give the results of abiding in His Word.

1. Jesus is the True Vine, The Father is the Husbandman, (The Vinedresser)

The believers are the branches. v.1

1. Unfruitful branches are taken away v.2
2. Fruitful branches v.2-4
3. Unattached branches v.4-6
4. Attached branches: results and promises v.7-8

# Chapter 16 – He is the Giver of the Spirit

On His departure He promised to send Another Comforter into the world.

John 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, **I will send him unto you.**

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the **Spirit of truth**, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. 14 **He shall glorify me**: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

John 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, **whom I will send unto you** from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, **he shall testify of me:**

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall **teach** you all things, and **bring** all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 14:16 And **I will pray** the Father, and **he shall give you another Comforter**, that **he may abide with you for ever**;

1John 4:14 And we have seen and do testify that **the Father sent the Son** to be the Savior of the world

John 5:23 That all men should honor the Son, **even as they** honor the Father. He that honoreth not the Son honoreth not the Father which hath sent him.

**Jesus Christ The Son of God is the Giver of The Spirit who is our**

**Comforter, Guide and Teacher.**

* **The Holy Ghost will testify of and Glorify The Son.**

John 16:23 And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.

14:20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

►The Father is The Supreme Authority

►The Son is The Highest Authority in submission to the Father

►The Holy Ghost is The Maximum Authority that is always in submission

1John 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and **these** three are one.

These Three (absolutely Three) Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are together one God

The Father is God De 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:

The Son is God One or Two without the other **is not** God but is

The Holy Ghost is God blashphemy- - -(an anti-christ spirit)

The Holy Ghost is always shown in submission to The Son and

The Son is always shown in submission to The Father

**The Son is always honored by the Father** but The Son is never honored above the Father

The Son is never honored without The Father.

2Peter 1:17 For he received from God the Father honor and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

John 8:54 Jesus answered, If I honor myself, my honor is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God:

**The Son always honors the Father**

John 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

* The Father is Never The Son
* The Son is never The Father
* The Father is never the Holy Ghost
* The Holy Ghost is never the Father
* The Son is never The Holy Ghost
* The Holy Ghost is never The Son

The Father is always The Father and never (not) The Father

The Son is always the Son and never (not) The Son

The Holy Ghost is always The Holy Ghost and never (not) The Holy Ghost

John 14:10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

11 Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

Ro 15:13 Now the **God of hope** fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may **abound in hope**, through **the power of the Holy Ghost.**

**Joh 16:23 And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.**

Joh 16:26 At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

The Holy Ghost will always help us to honor The Son with The Father

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the **Spirit of truth**, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. 14 **He shall glorify me**: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

John 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, **whom I will send unto you** from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, **he shall testify of me:**

The Holy Ghost

Same in Nature, same in Power, same in Wisdom, same in Character, same in Example

SAME IN LIFE BUT **NOT** THE SAME PERSON

A PERSON OF THE GODHEAD BUT **NOT** THE SAME PERSON AS THE FATHER **NOR** THE SAME PERSON AS THE SON

THREE DISTINCT BEINGS MAKING UP THE ONE GODHEAD

THERE IS ONE GOD

THE FATHER –THE SON OF GOD-THE HOLY GHOST

# Chapter 17 – He is The Great Intercessor.

He offers up His wonderful intercessory prayers for the church

Joh 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only **true God**,

and **Jesus Christ,** **whom** thou hast sent.

4 I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do.

5 And now, O **Father,** glorify **thou me with thine own self** with the glory which **I had** **with thee** before the world was.

6 **I** have manifested **thy** name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: **thine** they were, and **thou** gavest them **me;** and they have kept **thy** word.

7 Now they have known that all things whatsoever **thou** hast given me are of thee.

8 For **I** have given unto them the words which **thou** **gavest me;** and they have received them, and have known surely **that I** came out **from thee**, and they have believed that **thou** didst send **me**.

9 **I** pray for them: **I** pray not for the world, but for them which **thou** hast given **me;** for they are **thine.**

10 And **all mine** are **thine**, and **thine** are **mine**; and **I** am glorified in them.

11 And now **I** am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and **I** come to **thee.** **Holy Father**, keep through **thine** own name those whom **thou** hast given me, that **they** may be **one, as we are**.

12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.

13 **And now come I to thee**; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have **my** joy fulfilled in themselves.

14 I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

16 They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.

18 As **thou** hast sent **me** into the world, even so have **I** also sent them into the world.

19 And for their sakes **I** sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

20 Neither pray **I** for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word;

21 That **they all may be one**; **as thou, Father, art in me,** and I in thee, that **they also may be one in us**: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.

22 And **the glory which thou gavest me** **I have given them**; that they may **be one**, **even as we are one:**

23 **I** in them, and **thou** in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that **thou** hast **sent me**, and hast loved them, as **thou** hast loved **me.**

24 **Father, I** will that they also, whom **thou** hast given **me,** be with **me** where **I** am; that they may behold **my** glory, which **thou** hast given me: for **thou** lovedst **me** before the foundation of the world.

25 **O righteous Father**, the world hath not known **thee**: but **I** have known **thee,** and these have known that **thou** hast sent **me.**

26 And **I** have declared unto them **thy** name, and will declare it: that **the love** wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and **I** in them.

1. Jesus prayed for Himself unto the Father. John 17:1-8

2. Jesus prayed for His Disciples 8-19

3. Jesus prayed for them also which shall

believe on me through their word 20-26

The source of unity is God's glory, the very glory which Jesus Himself possessed.

It is the glory of God given to believers that unites believers and makes them one with Jesus and His Father and one with each other.

When believers experience the glory of God they become one in character, and purpose.

Our lives are not our own, It is His life in us; His life and love is given to us to help one another.

* To be the new creature God makes. II Cor. 5:17; Eph. 2:10
* To live as new creatures should, “By Grace through faith” (holy, righteous and pure).
* To make known the glorious message that God has sent His Son into the world.
* To Manifest His life II Cor.4:11
* To Magnify Christ Phil. 1:20

 2Co 2:14 Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savor of his knowledge by us in every place.

Isa 9:6 For unto us **a child is born**, unto us **a son is given**: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

# Chapter 18 – He is the Model Sufferer

He submissively drinks the cup of woe pressed to His lips by the Father’s hand.

John 18:1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples.

* When Jesus had spoken these words – (John 13-17)
* Jesus went forth, where was a garden – Gethsemane

To deal with the sin that began in the garden of Eden.

John 18:3 Judas then, having received a band of men and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees, cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.

* Band of men and officers - a mass of men (Roman military cohort-600 men)
* Searching for The Light of the World with lanterns

John 18:4 Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye?

► Jesus knew what He would do Die on the cross - loyalty

► Jesus knew what Judas would do Kiss of betrayal - disloyalty

► Jesus knew what Peter would do Sword to swearing – denial

John 18:11 Then said Jesus unto Peter, Put up thy sword into the sheath: the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

Heb 5:8 Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered;

**Obedience**

I. True Patience and Submission to the Will of The Father.

A. “He went forth” v.1

1. Unshakeable Obedience

2. Unwavering Patience

3. Unquestionable Submission

B. “ went forth” v.4

II. The greatest suffering was to be separated from the Father

A. Shall I not drink it?

1. Isa 51:17 “drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury”

2. Ps 11:6 “Upon the wicked … shall be the portion of their cup”.

3. Ps 116:13 “I will take the cup of salvation”

B. The cup which my Father hath given me

John 18:1 When Jesus had spoken these words, he went forth with his disciples **over the brook Cedron**, where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples.

2Sa 15:23 And all the country wept with a loud voice, and all the people passed over: the king also himself passed **over the brook Kidron**, and all the people passed over, toward the way of the wilderness.

1Sa 15:30 Then he said, I have sinned: yet honor me now, I pray thee, before the elders of my people, and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD thy God.

This was a mournful procession.

To see a good king in his old age with a heavy heart, a covered head, weeping eyes, and bare feet, rejected by his nation and fleeing from the rage of his own son.

☼Little did David think when he acted so wickedly with Bathsheba that his sin would become so fatal?

Jas 1:15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

* Lust always brings forth sin, sin always brings forth death.
* You slay it or it will slay you.

1Sa 17:50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him; but there was no sword in the hand of David.

51 Therefore David ran, and stood upon the Philistine, and took his sword, and drew it out of the sheath thereof, and slew him, and cut off his head therewith. And when the Philistines saw their champion was dead, they fled.

☼Little did David know when he acted against Goliath that his courage would prove so valuable?

Heb 10:35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.

John 6:6 And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do.

John 18:4 Jesus therefore, **knowing all things that should come upon him**, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye?

18:8 Jesus answered, I have told you that I am he: if therefore ye seek me, let these go their way: 12 Then the band and the captain and officers of the Jews took Jesus, and bound him,

Jesus realized the Justice of God in being the sin bearer He must suffer.

John 18:13 And led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas, which was the high priest that same year.

**Jesus' Jewish Trial**: demanding that Jesus incriminate Himself was against the law of Jewish justice. Under Jewish law, a defendant was not required to admit any guilt; therefore, the Jewish trial of Jesus was a total mockery of justice.

18:21 Why askest thou me? ask them which heard me, what I have said unto them: behold, they know what I said.

1.  They had hastily assembled the court atnight, but it was illegal to try cases at night. All criminals had to be tried in the day.

2.  They were meeting in Annas' palace (home), not in the official court. This, too, was illegal. All cases had to be tried in court.

3.  Jesus was being tried during the Passover week, but no cases were supposed to be tried during that week.

4.  The leaders had not met to try Jesus, but to secretly devise charges and to condemn Him to death.

John 18:24 Now Annas had sent him bound unto Caiaphas the high priest.

Jesus was tossed about by the world. This is a tactic of men seeking help from others to disprove Jesus. Jesus’ life, doctrine and claims were cast back and forth in the minds of men who were seeking proof that He was not the Son of God.

John 18:28 Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover

31 Then said Pilate unto them, Take ye him, and judge him according to your law. The Jews therefore said unto him, It is not lawful for us to put any man to death:

33 Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called Jesus, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews?

John 18:38 Pilate saith unto him, What is truth? And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all.

* Tried found innocent – “I find in him no fault at all”.
* Tried found to be guilty of Love in the first degree

John 18:40 Then cried they all again, saying, Not this man, but Barabbas. Now Barabbas was a robber.

John 19:4 Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them, Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him.

# Chapter 19 – He is the Uplifted Savior.

He becomes obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

John 19:1 Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him.

**Scourging**: Jesus was stripped and beaten with a whip. This was a savage, excruciating punishment. The whip was made of leather straps, at least two pieces made of rough lead, sharp bones or spikes, so that they would cut deeply into the flesh. Jesus' hands were tied to a post above His head as He was scourged It was the Roman custom for the prisoner to be lashed by the presiding centurion until He was near death (Jewish trials allowed only forty lashes.) Jesus' back was, or course, nothing more than an unrecognizable mass of torn flesh.

19:5 Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe. And Pilate saith unto them, **Behold the man**!

6 When the chief priests therefore and officers saw him, they cried out, saying, Crucify him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him.

John 19:15 But they cried out, Away with him, away with him, crucify him. Pilate saith unto them, Shall I crucify your King? The chief priests answered, We have no king but Caesar.

* Everyone now is faced with a choice. Jesus Christ is undeniably the Son of God; we choose either Him or this world
* What will you do with Jesus?
* What you do with Him , will determine what He will do with you.

19:17 And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew Golgotha:

19:18 Where **they crucified him**, and two other with him, on either side one, and **Jesus** in the midst.

19:19 And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was,

JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.

19:25 Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.

19:26 When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, Woman, behold thy son!

**What brings you to Calvary**?

John 12:32 And I, if I be **lifted up** from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

# Chapter 20 – He is the Victory Over Death

The Resurrection

╬ The empty Cross had the blood of Jesus spilled upon it. (19:34)

The capstone of the Gospel of John is authenticated in this twentieth chapter as we see proof of the deity of JESUS CHRIST Our LORD, as the Risen Savior.

The first eighteen verses fall into 2 parts.

1. In the first 10 verses we see the empty tomb.
2. In verses 11 – 18 we see the living Lord.

***Method of burial:***

A careful consideration of the method of burial in those rock-hewn tombs shows that the wrappings of the head were never a part of the wrappings on the body, but was separate. The body was carried, and laid with the feet toward the opening, and the head further in. The body was placed on a stone ledge where there was a slightly elevated place for the head.

***Spices were used as a preservative of the body:***

Mark 16:1 Brought sweet spices

Luke 24:1 Bringing spices which they had prepared.

John 19:39 Brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a 100 lb. Weight.

***Linen was used:***

Matt. 27:59 Joseph wrapped body in a clean linen cloth

Mark 15:46 Wrapped body in fine linen

Luke 23:53 Wrapped body in linen

John 19:40 Wound it in linen clothes

***The Resurrection authenticated:***

1. The stone taken away from the sepulcher

* the **open** tomb – John 20:1

Joh 20:1 The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and **seeth** the stone taken away **from the sepulchre**.

Mt 28:1 In the end of the sabbath, **as it began to dawn** toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to **see** the sepulcher.

2 And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord **descended from heaven**, and came and **rolled back the stone from the door**, and sat upon it.

Mt 28:6 He is not here: for **he is risen**, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples that **he is risen** from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

* the **empty** tomb – John 20:2

Joh 20:2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulcher, and we know not where they have laid him.

**The Sepulcher**

Mt 27:63 Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.

64 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.

65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can.

66 So they went, and **made the sepulcher sure, sealing the stone**, and **setting a watch**.

- A **new** sepulcher

Joh 19:41 Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid.

* That no man might frivolously object to his resurrection, as though someone else that had been buried there had risen;

A **Rock hewn** Sepulcher---A Broken Law---Christ completely satisfied and fulfilled the Law of God.

Lu 23:53 And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulcher that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

Mt 27:60 And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had **hewn out in the rock**: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed.

1. The recovered grave clothes

* John 20:3-8
* Saw linen clothes lie
* Saw the napkin that was used about His head

wrapped together in a place by itself.

1. The revelation of the Risen Lord:
2. To Mary Magdalene

Vs. 11-18, Mark 16:9

Jesus appeared first to Mary

1. Two women returning from tomb

Matt. 28:8-10

They held Him by the feet and worshipped Him

1. To Peter later in the day

The Lord hath risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.

1. To Emmaus Disciples

Luke 24:13-33

Jesus Himself drew near, and went with them

1. To the Apostles (Thomas absent)

Luke 24:36-43

John 20:19-24

Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them.

1. To the Apostles again (Thomas present)

John 20:26-29

Then Jesus came, and stood in the midst.

1. To the seven by the lake of Tiberias

John 21:1-23

Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples

1. To a multitude of believers on a Galilean Mountain

I Cor. 15:6

He was seen of above 500 brethren

1. To James

I Cor. 15:6

After that He was seen of James.

1. To the eleven

Matt. 28:16-20

When they saw Him, they worshipped Him.

1. To those at the ascension

Acts 1:3-12

He showed Himself alive

***The Revelation of the Risen Lord after His ascension***

1. To Paul

Acts 9:3-6, I Cor. 15:8

He was seen of me also.

1. To Stephen

Acts 7:55

Saw Jesus standing on right hand of God.

1. To Paul in the temple

Acts 22:17-21, 23:11

I was in a trance and saw Him.

1. To John on Patmos

Rev. 1:10-19

Saw one like unto the Son of Man.

***Resurrection account by others:***

1. Pilate’s sealing and guarding tomb. Matt. 27:62-66

Command thereof that the sepulcher be made sure.

1. Removal of the stone by an angel. Matt. 28:1-3

Mary saw the angel of the Lord descend from Heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door and sat on it.

1. The terror of the Roman Guards. Matt. 28:4

The keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

1. The message of the angel to the woman. Matt. 28:5,6

Fear not, He is not here, For His is risen.

1. The report of the guards to the chief priests. Matt. 28:11

They showed all things to chief priests.

1. The chief priests bribe to the Roman Guards. Matt. 28:12,13

Gave money to soldiers to say the body had been stolen.

1. The Roman guards spread the lie that Christ’s body was stolen. Matt. 28:15

So they took the money and did as they were told.

1. The certainty of Christ’s death. John 19:33-42

Saw He was already dead – Joseph took His body.

1. The certainty of Christ’s burial. Mark 15:42-47 John 19:42

Put Him in a new sepulcher.

1. The certainty of Christ’s body was not stolen.
2. If His enemies had done so they would have produced the body.

Matt. 28:4-15

1. If His friends had done so they would not have preached a lie or have been willing to die for it. Matt. 28:15,16

John 20:9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

John 2:22 When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

Lu 24:8 And they remembered his words,

John 20:16 Jesus saith unto her, **Mary**. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.

* The Father knows everyone that has ever lived by name and experience.
* Jesus God’s Son knows everyone that ever lived by name and experience.
* The Holy Ghost knows everyone that ever lived by name and experience.

John 20:21 Then said **Jesus** to them again, Peace be unto you: as **my Father** hath sent me, even so send I you.

22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the **Holy Ghost**:

Titus 3:5 **Not** by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of **regeneration, and renewing** of the **Holy Ghost;**

John 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be **born** of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

3:8 The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is **born of the Spirit.**

Conclusion to Chapter 20

“Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet believed.” Vs. 29

“And many other signs did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book.” Vs. 30

Purpose of John’s Gospel – John 20:30, 31

1. To prove Christ as the Messiah.
2. To show Him as the Savior and Life-giver.
3. To cause men to believe on Him.
4. To show to all that believe that they may have eternal life.

“But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name.” Vs. 31

Lu 24:5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

# Chapter 21 – He is the Restorer of the Penitent

Instructions in Spiritual Service Given

The resurrected Christ directs our service for Him. This can result only when the Risen Lord reveals Himself to His own. The proofs of the resurrection had already been given. Notice how chapter twenty-one is introduced.

After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the Disciples.

Showed Himself = Manifested

Greek for manifested – means to shine forth

Those that were present: Vs. 2

* Simon Peter
* Thomas called Didymus
* Nathaniel of Cana in Galilee
* Two other disciples

Jesus showed Himself in two ways.

1. In relation to individuals
2. In relation to group

Peter’s remark Disciple’s remark

I go a fishing. Vs. 3 Disciples said they were going too.

* The old life of self-directed service before He yielded to Christ’s call to leave his nets. The disciples followed Peter’s leadership.

“That night they caught nothing.”

* Our lives touch other lives.
* Peter’s influence was not spiritually motivated. (They toiled all night and caught nothing. Fruitless.) Jesus stood on shore.
* Service directed by Christ is always fruitful. Multitude of fishes. Vs. 6 “Cast net on the other side of the ship.”
* Obedience Cast net on other side and were not able to draw it for multitude of fishes.

Jesus meets with disciples:

Vs. 4 Jesus stood on the shore. Disciples knew that it was Jesus.

Vs. 5 “Children, have ye any meat? Cast on right side and ye shall find.”

Disciples return to land:

* They saw a fire with coals
* They saw fish on the fire

Revelation of the all-sufficiency of the Risen Lord shows Peter and Disciples their inadequacy and self-shame as they tried to go their way without Him.

7 “It is the Lord” Peter cast Himself into the sea.

13 Jesus then cometh, and taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.

(Good clean fellowship has helped heal a lot of wounds.)

Vs. 10 “Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ye have now caught.”

Vs. 12 “Jesus saith unto them, come and dine.”

Vs. 14 “This is now the third time that Jesus showed Himself to His disciples, after He was risen from the dead.”

The qualification for feeding lambs, and shepherding sheep is that of the love of God. The love He seeks is of absolute devotion.

Jesus questioned Peter on His love for Him. “Lovest thou me?”

Feed My sheep – is pastoral work and demands love for the “good shepherd” of the sheep as the primary qualifications. Vs. 15-17

NOTE: In John 10 Jesus calls Himself the Good Shepherd.

Now He wants Peter to shepherd His sheep as well.

Spiritual Service: Demands death to self and sin, the Lord also instructed Peter

about physical death. Vs. 18 Vs. 19 “When thou shalt be old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and another shall gird thee, and carry thee whither thou wouldest not.”

Position of the Believer’s life in Christ

Their knowledge of faith in this new position would make possible the transition from the spiritual immaturity of vs. 18a to the spiritual maturity of vs. 18b.

NOTE: They were not called to take dead fish, but to catch men alive.

Jesus entered into their experience of human failure to reveal His Divine power.

THE LOVE THE LORD SEEKS, IS THE LOVE OF ABSOLUTE DEVOTION.

The reference to John was, that our Lord deals with each of His own separately, and in ways in which others cannot understand.

Conclusion to Gospel of John

John 21:24 This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written.” Amen.