

Introduction to John – pt2

“And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: 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 20:30-31

1. How to study John

- a. Read it through entirely
- b. Recall 3-fold applications - Repeat
- c. Make your own outline, references, connections, etc

2. Brief Outline of John

- a. John 1 – God made flesh; John the Baptist testimony
- b. John 2-12 – Miracles & Ministry
- c. John 13-17 - Jesus’ teaching the disciples
- d. John 18-21 – Death, Burial, Resurrection

3. Common Themes - Some are popular, others are lesser known – Test them

- a. Deity verses and ‘belief’ – Jesus is God
 - i. The problem for the Jew was the deity of Christ (Messiah)
 - ii. This is true even today, but our gospel goes further
- b. Signs & Discourse
 - i. The signs speak to the spiritual condition of Israel
 1. Israel and adultery - John 4 & Jer 3:8
- c. “I AM” theme – Jehovah compound names
 - i. Jesus is the provision for Israel
 1. God the Shepherd - John 10 and Psalm 23
 2. Israel the flock - Jer 23:2; 31:10
 - ii. Each declaration is a declaration of deity
 - iii. Each declaration spoke to God’s provision in Christ for Israel
- d. The Holy Days
 - i. The fulfillment of the holy days in the actions of Jesus
- e. The Wilderness Connection
 - i. The Exodus a type of the future events of Israel’s “little flock”
 - ii. The trials in the wilderness and John’s presentation of Christ
 - iii. Look at revelation, Christ in prophecy - Rev 19:10
 - iv. John deals with the nation Israel and came to fulfill what was written in the prophets - 1 John 5:10

Gospel of John Theme References

Jesus' "I AM" Statements – Exo 3:14

- John 6:48 – I am the bread of life
- John 8:12 – I am the light of the world
- John 10:9 – I am the door
- John 10:11 – I am the good shepherd
- John 11:25 – I am the resurrection and life
- John 14:6 – I am the way, truth, and the life
- John 15:1 – I am the vine

Jehovah compound names

- jireh – The Lord who provides – Gen 22:12-14
- rapha – The Lord who heals – Exodus 15:22-26
- nissi – The Lord our banner – Exodus 17:8-15
- qadash – (mekaddishkem) The Lord that sanctifies – Exo 31:13
- ra'ah – Lord is my shepherd – Psalm 23
- shalom – The Lord is peace – Judges 6:24
- tsidkenu – The Lord our righteousness – Jer 23:5-6
- shama – The Lord is there, the indweller – Exe 48:35

Miracles in John

- John 2:1 – Want of wine
- John 4:46 – Nobleman's son saved from death
- John 5:1 – Healing the impotent man
- John 6:3 – Bread for the hungry masses
- John 6:15 – Peace during tribulation – Mat 14:22
- John 9:1 – Blind man given sight
- John 11:1 – Lazarus raised from the dead
- John 21:3 – The fish in the net

Feast Days – Leviticus 23

1. Passover - Leviticus 23:4,5
2. Unleavened Bread - Leviticus 23:6-8
3. Feast of First fruits - Leviticus 23:9-14
4. Festival of Weeks - Pentecost - Leviticus 23:15-21
5. Trumpets - Leviticus 23:23-25
6. Day of Atonement - Leviticus 23:26-32
7. Feast of Tabernacles - Leviticus 23:33-43

God's Provision in the Wilderness

1. Bitter Water – Exodus 15:23-26
2. No Food – Exodus 16:1-36
3. No Water – Exodus 17:1-7
4. Battle of Amalek – Exo 17:8-16