



THE GOSPEL OF

# JOHN

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SON OF MAN  
LAMB OF GOD  
RABBI  
MESSIAH  
KING OF ISRAEL  
JESUS OF NAZARETH





## THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

# DIG STUDY SUMMARY

The Gospel of John is considered one of the pillars of New Testament theology alongside Romans. It is a book that is far reaching in its scope and yet it is simple to grasp because of its clear focus. The Gospel of John, written by the Apostle John, was written chiefly that we might find life in Christ by believing in him. He is laser focused on showing that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (John 20:30-31). Each week of this study will highlight this emphasis by asking “how does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?” Rather than being redundant, it keeps our eyes where they should be fixated - on Jesus Christ.

Written in the first century A.D., the Gospel of John was written after the other three gospel accounts which are commonly referred to as the synoptic gospels. They are called this because they follow a similar pattern of recounting the life of Christ in sequential order (albeit each with their own emphasis). Not so with John. John is roughly divided into two major sections: the book of signs (John 1-12) and the book of glory (John 13-21). The book of signs includes the seven signs of Jesus showing that he is the Christ, the Son of God. The book of glory includes everything leading up to and including the atoning work of Christ. These two parts together focus John’s work on the fact that Jesus is the Son of God. Our church will be walking through the Gospel of John over 17 months with breaks in between various sections. The book of glory will be taught as a whole during the Spring of 2024.

The Gospel of John, being so concerned with the identity of Jesus as the Son of God, has a two fold purpose. First, for those who already believe, it has the intention of encouragement and keeping those who follow Christ in the faith. Second, it is evangelistic in that it has the intention of proving to those who do not yet believe that Jesus is the Christ. It is theological,

pastoral, apologetic, and evangelistic. It is simple enough for a child to understand yet robust enough for the most mature Christian to delight in the treasures of Christ.

Jesus has told us he has come that we might have life and have it abundantly (John 10:10). As we study the Gospel of John together, that will be the invitation for all. Come to Christ. Believe in him. Have life abundant.

**WEEK 1**

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**John 1:1-18**

**WORD BECAME FLESH**

## SERMON NOTES

**WEEK 1 | JOHN 1:1-18**

**STUDY QUESTIONS**

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. Where do you see the light shining in the darkness in your life?

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3. Why does it matter that you have become a child of God?

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## WEEK 1 | JOHN 1:1-18

4. How does your salvation being a matter of “the will of God” bring you assurance and comfort?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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6. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week’s passage and sermon?

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**WEEK 2**

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**John 1:19-34**

**VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS**

## SERMON NOTES

## WEEK 2 | JOHN 1:19-34

# STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. Why does it matter that John the Baptist is not Christ?

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3. How does the confession and ministry of John the Baptist provide instruction for Christian living today?

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**WEEK 2 | JOHN 1:19-34**

4. What significance does the Spirit have in this passage?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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6. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week’s passage and sermon?

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**WEEK 3**

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**John 1:35-51**

**FOLLOW ME**

## SERMON NOTES

**WEEK 3 | JOHN 1:35-51**

**STUDY QUESTIONS**

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week’s sermon?

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2. If Jesus were to ask you “what are you seeking?” how would you reply?

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3. When and why did you make a conscious decision to follow Jesus?

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**WEEK 3 | JOHN 1:35-51**

4. What significant doubts have you wrestled with regarding Jesus?  
How did God reveal the truth to you?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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6. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week's passage and sermon?

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WEEK 4

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John 2:1-12

WATER INTO WINE

## SERMON NOTES

## WEEK 4 | JOHN 2:1-12

# STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. This is the first of seven signs that Jesus performs. Why do the signs of Jesus matter?

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3. How does Jesus's attendance at a wedding shape our understanding of Christian mission today?

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**WEEK 4 | JOHN 2:1-12**

4. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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5. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week’s passage and sermon?

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**WEEK 5**

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**John 2:13-25**

**MY FATHER'S HOUSE**

## SERMON NOTES

## WEEK 5 | JOHN 2:13-25

# STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. Why was Jesus so angry at the people in the temple?

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3. How are we to reconcile this passage with the same Jesus who is gentle and lowly?

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**WEEK 5 | JOHN 2:13-25**

4. Knowing that Jesus was full of the Spirit, how do we make sense of the fruit of the Spirit with the Jesus we encounter in this passage?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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6. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week's passage and sermon?

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**WEEK 6**

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**John 3:1-21**

**BORN AGAIN**

## SERMON NOTES

## **STUDY QUESTIONS**

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. Why is Nicodemus so perplexed by Jesus's teaching about being born again?

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3. Have you been born again? How do you know?

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**WEEK 6 | JOHN 3:1-21**

4. Have you ever encountered a person like Nicodemus who is curious to know more about Jesus but is scared to do so publicly? What was that like?

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5. Jesus said “the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil.” How are we to understand what is evil and wicked in the world?

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6. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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**WEEK 6 | JOHN 3:1-21**

- 7. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week’s passage and sermon?

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**WEEK 7**

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**John 3:22-36**

**OBEY THE SON**

WEEK 7 | JOHN 3:22-36

## SERMON NOTES



## WEEK 7 | JOHN 3:22-36

# STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. Have you been baptized? Share the story of your baptism.

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3. How might you echo the attitude of John in saying "he must increase, but I must decrease" in your life?

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**WEEK 7 | JOHN 3:22-36**

4. Why is it comforting to know that the Father has given all things into the hand of the Son?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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6. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week's passage and sermon?

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**WEEK 8**

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**John 4:1-45**

**NEVER THIRST AGAIN**

## SERMON NOTES

WEEK 8 | JOHN 4:1-45

STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. How does this passage inform our church's name?

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3. What does it mean that Jesus is the living water? How have you experienced this living water?

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**WEEK 8 | GALATIANS JOHN 4:1-45**

4. How have you been satisfied by doing the will of God?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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6. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week’s passage and sermon?

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WEEK 9

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**John 4:46-54**

YOUR SON WILL LIVE

## SERMON NOTES



## WEEK 9 | JOHN 4:46-54

# STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. Have you ever experienced a crisis which made you come to Jesus? What was that like?

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3. What has it been like for you to take Jesus at his word like the official, simply believing the promises of Jesus? Why is it important to live this way?

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**WEEK 9 | JOHN 4:46-54**

4. John says that this is the second sign that Jesus performed. Why does that matter?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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**WEEK 10**

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**John 5:1-17**

**DO YOU WANT TO BE HEALED?**

## SERMON NOTES

## WEEK 10 | JOHN 5:1-17

# STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. How does the mercy of Christ displayed toward the invalid comfort you? How have you experienced the mercy of Christ?

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3. Why does it matter that Jesus performed this sign on the Sabbath?

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**WEEK 10 | JOHN 5:1-17**

4. This is the third sign Jesus performed. Why does that matter?  
What is the biblical and theological significance of this sign?

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5. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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**WEEK 11**

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**John 5:18-47**

**BELIEVE MY WORDS**

WEEK 11 | JOHN 5:18-47

## SERMON NOTES



## STUDY QUESTIONS

1. What did you personally find challenging or comforting from this week's sermon?

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2. The Son has been given judgment. How does this shape your understanding of Jesus? How is this good news for us?

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3. We are to seek the glory of God. As one Christian confession (Westminster Shorter Catechism) states, "man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever." How have you learned to glorify God in your life instead of seeking the glory of men?

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## WEEK 11 | GALATIANS JOHN 5:18-47

4. How does this passage show that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God?

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5. Thinking in terms of head, heart, and hands, how might the Spirit be inviting you to live differently in light of this week's passage and sermon?

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