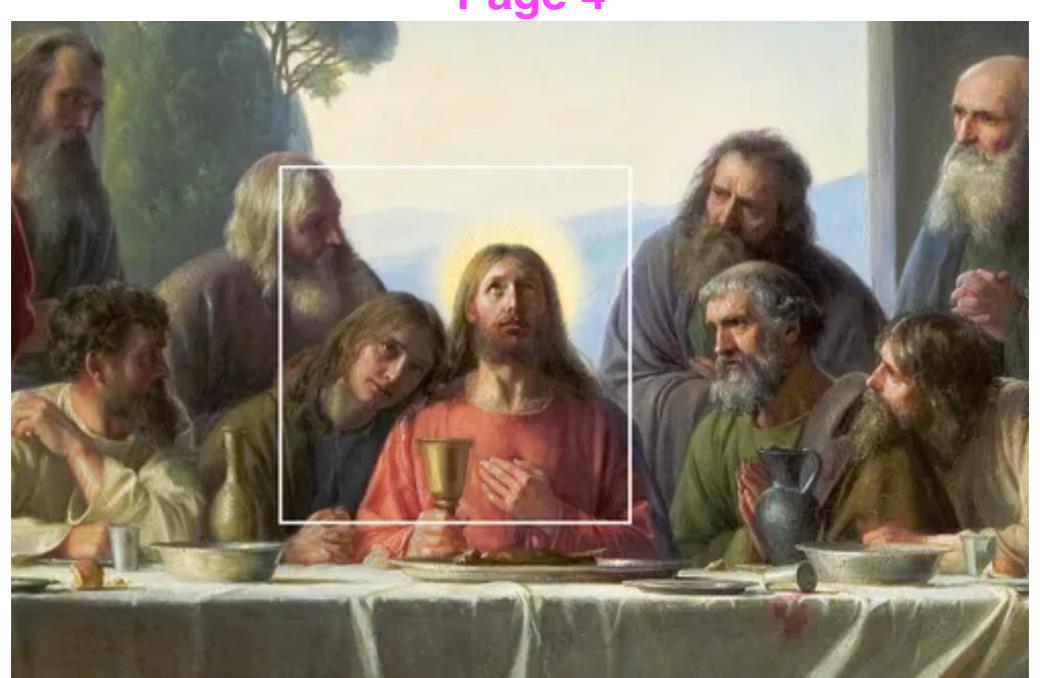
The Gospel of John

Lesson 1

Introduction

Sunday, March 3

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Q1.1 Who wrote the Book? How do you know?

John the Apostle.

- 1. Internal Evidence, 21:25,24,20.
- 2. Title of Gospel.
- 3. External Evidence (nearly unanimous).
 - → Irenaeus, Polycarp, Eusebius, Polycrates, Clement of Alexandria.

Q1.2 To whom was the Book written?

General/Universal.

Q1.3 When was the Book written?

Uncertain: 60-100 AD.

Q1.4 Where was the Book written?

Ephesus (secular sources).

Q1.5 Why was the Book written?

20:30-31.

Believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; believing you have life.

Q1.6 What was written (1:1-18, 1:19-11:56, 12:1-21:25)? Provide a simple 3 point outline.

- 1. Prologue, 1:1-18.
- 2. Discourses & Miracles, 1:19-11:56.
- 3. Passion Week, 12:1-21:25.

Q1.7 What 6 positions/roles did John occupy (1:35-37, Matt.

10:2, John 19:26, 16:13)**?**

- 1. Disciple of John Baptist.
- 2. Disciple of Jesus.
- 3. Apostle of Jesus.
- 4. Caretaker of Jesus' Mother.
- 5. Author.
- 6. Prophet.

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John 19:25

Matt. 27:56

Mark 15:40

Mother

Mother's Sister

Mary Wife of Clopas

Mary Magdalene

Mother Sons
of Zebedee
Mary Mother
James & Joseph

Mary Magdalene

Salome

Mary Mother
James & Joses

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Q1.9 What was his occupation? What was he known as?

Fisherman (Mk. 1:19).

Sons of Thunder (Mk. 3:17).

Q1.10 What special relationship did John sustain with the Christ?

Disciple Jesus Ioved (13:23, 19:26, 20:2, 21:7).

Q1.11 What age was John during Christ's Ministry and what happened to John in later life?

- Likely, youngest Apostle, late teens early 20s.
- Exiled to Island Patmos, Rev. 1:9.
- Likely lived a long life and died a natural death.

Q1.12 What 2 categories (one accurate description, one commonly called) does this Book occupy in Scripture?

- 1 of the 4 Gospels.
- Biography of Jesus Christ.

Q1.13 The Gospel of John is different from the other 3 Gospels. What term is used to describe the first 3 Gospels showing the difference from this Gospel?

Synoptics.

Q1.14 What are some major events that happened in Christ's ministry that are recorded in John's Gospel and not included in the other Gospels?

- Wedding Feast at Cana (John 2).
- Discourse with Nicodemus (John 3).
- Healing blind man (John 9).
- Raising Lazarus (John 11).
- Trial with Annas (John 18).

Q1.15 Read John 12:1-8,13:23, 19:26-27 and 20:11-17. What do these Scriptures show about the type of information provided in this Gospel?

Intimate details.

Q1.16. Read John 1:1-18. How would you describe the writing style of the Apostle John?

- Eloquent.
- Profound.
- Concise.
- Repetitive.

Q1.17 There are 6 long discourses in this Gospel. What are they?

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1. 2:23-3:21: Nicodemus.
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2. 4:4-26: Woman of Samaria.

3. 6:22-71: Bread of Life.

4. 8:12-30: Light of the World.

5. 8:31-59: Spiritual freedom.

6. 13:31-16:33: Apostles.

Q1.18 Was the Gospel of John written in the 1st, 2nd or 3rd person? What about vs. 21:24-25?

- Third.
- First.

Q1.19 Consider the following: predominant word family of "witness" in this gospel, John 1:1 and 20:30-31. Fill in the blank

Gospel of John is a Proof Treatise

that Jesus is

