

Lesson Notes:

The Gospel of John

The book of John has been identified as the most “Spiritual” Book in the Bible. Many evangelists recommend the Book of John for anyone struggling with the deity of Christ and for unbelievers. Below are significant scriptures found in the Book of John and their significance to Christianity.

Scriptural Principles

Highlights of the Gospel of John

- 1) **In John 1:1-3 John confirms the deity of Christ.** - The deity of Christ is a cornerstone of our faith.
- 2) **In John 1:29, 32-34 John identifies Jesus as the Messiah.** - If Jesus was not the Messiah than we would all await another to come sometime in the future. Jesus has fulfilled all old testament prophecy regarding the Messiah.
- 3) **In John 2:1-10 John chronicles the first miracle of Christ which was the conversion of water into wine.**
- 4) **In John 2:19-21 John tells us that Jesus predicted his resurrection after driving the money changers from the temple.** - This further demonstrates Christ’s deity, his ability to see into the future and his power over death.
- 5) **In John 3:1-5 Jesus teaches the importance of Spiritual Rebirth as our requirement for salvation.**
- 6) **In John 3:15 Jesus tells us that Salvation is available to All.**
- 7) **In probably the two most famous verses in the Bible Jesus tells us of his significance and purpose. – John 3:16-17**
- 8) **We see the Importance of “Little People” in John 6 when Christ feeds the 5000.** - It is significant here to see that Jesus used a small boy with 5 loaves and 2 fish to feed a multitude of 5 thousand. The lesson here for us is that no matter how insignificant we think we are Christ can use us to accomplish great and glorious things.
- 9) **In John 8:31-32 Jesus tells us that he is the truth that sets us free.**
- 10) **In John 9:25 the man who was blind from birth was made whole again through Jesus.** - When questioned and belittled by the Pharisees he stands up for Jesus and tells them that all I know is “I was blind and now I see”. – This phrase

was eloquently captured by John Newton in his Hymn “Amazing Grace” which is one of the most loved Hymns in all of Christianity.

- 11) John 12:12-15 records Jesus triumphant entry into Jerusalem on April 6, 32 AD in fulfillment of the scripture prophesized in Daniel 9:25; exactly 483 Jewish years to the day after King Artixerxes commissioned the rebuilding of the Temple under Nehemiah on March 14, 445 BC.**
- 12) Christ confirms he is “the way, the truth and the life” - John 14:6**
- 13) Jesus shows his disciples the importance of leading through service. – John 13:14-15**
- 14) Jesus asks is father in heaven for the “Holy Spirit” for his disciples. – John 14:15-17.**