



Gospel of John

THE BEGINNING
John 1

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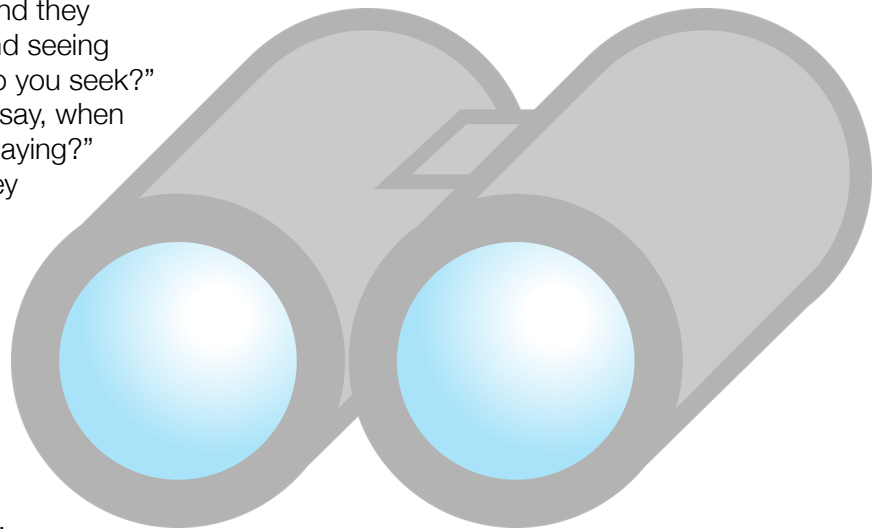
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COME AND SEE

John is inviting us to come and meet Jesus!

John 1: 37-39 (NKJV)

“The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, “What do you seek?” They said to Him, “Rabbi” (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), “where are You staying?” He said to them, “Come and see.” They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour).”



John 1: 46 (NKJV)

“And Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.”

John 14: 28-29 (NKJV)

“The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men, “Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?”

SIGNPOST

John records “signs” that point us to who Jesus is

seven names/titles of Jesus recorded by John:

The Lamb of God (1:29)
The Son of God (1:34)
Rabbi (1:38)
The Messiah (1:41)
Jesus of Nazareth (1:45)
The King of Israel (1:49)
The Son of Man (1:51)

seven signs

Changing water into wine at Cana in (Jn. 2:1-11) the first of signs
Healing the royal official's son in Capernaum in (Jn. 4:46-54)
Healing the paralytic at Bethesda in (Jn. 5:1-15)
Feeding the 5000 in (Jn. 6:5-14)
Jesus walking on water in (Jn.) 6:16-24
Healing a blind man (Jn. 9:1-7)
The raising of Lazarus in (Jn. 11:1-45)

THE WORD

John takes us back to the beginning

John 1: 1-8 (NKJV)

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light.”

Colossians 1: 15-17 (NKJV)

“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”

John 1: 14 (NKJV)

“And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.”

Exodus 33: 9-10 (NKJV)

“And it came to pass, when Moses entered the tabernacle, that the pillar of cloud descended and stood at the door of the tabernacle, and the Lord talked with Moses. All the people saw the pillar of cloud standing at the tabernacle door, and all the people rose and worshiped, each man in his tent door.”

Heaven and Earth meet in the tabernacle

“[T]he Word was God The Word shares the same character, quality, and essence of God. John’s phrasing preserves the distinction between God the Father and God the Son while emphasizing their unity in all other regards.”

John D. Barry et al., Faithlife Study Bible (Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2012, 2016), Jn 1:1

“This book is about the creator God acting in a new way within his much-loved creation. “It is about the way in which “the long story which began in Genesis reached the climax the creator had always intended. And it will do this through ‘the Word’. In Genesis 1, the climax is the creation of humans, made in God’s image. In John 1, the climax is the arrival of a human being, the Word become ‘flesh’.”

Excerpt From: N. T. Wright. “John for Everyone, Part 1.” Apple Books

John 1: 10-11 (NKJV)

“He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him.”

John 1: 12-13 (NKJV)

“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”

