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THE BASICS

Who was John?

Why was the book written? (See John 20:30-31.)

What is the focus or theme of the book? (Look for repeated words or phrases.)

Approximately when was John written?

SOME WORDS TO LOOK FOR

Believe

Life

Sign

Judge (Judgment)

Witness

Love

Works

Fruit

Sin

Truth

Spirit

EVENTS NOT RECORDED IN THE SYNOPTICS

| EVENT | LOCATION | REFERENCE |
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| Turned water into wine | Cana of Galilee | John 2:1-11 |
| Meeting with Nicodemus | Jerusalem | John 3:1-21 |
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OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECIES

| PROPHECIES | OLD TESTAMENT | JOHN |
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| Messiah would be rejected by his own people | Psalm 69:8 Isaiah 53:3 | |
| Messiah would be hated without a cause | Psalm 35:19 Psalm 69:4 | |
| Messiah would be given vinegar to drink | Psalm 69:21 | |
| Messiah's hands and feet would be pierced | Psalm 22:16 Zechariah 12:10 | |
| Messiah's bones would not be broken | Exodus 12:46 Psalm 34:20 | |
| Soldiers would pierce Messiah's side | Zechariah 12:10 | |

PROPHECIES

MIRACLES ONLY RECORDED IN JOHN

THE "I AM'S" OF JESUS

PEOPLE WE MEET ONLY IN JOHN

CHAPTER THEMES

Chapter 1 Chapter 2 Chapter 3 Chapter 4 Chapter 5 Chapter 6 Chapter 7 Chapter 8 Chapter 9 Chapter 10 Chapter 11

| Chapter 12 |
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| Chapter 13 |
| Chapter 14 |
| Chapter 15 |
| Chapter 16 |
| Chapter 17 |
| Chapter 18 |
| Chapter 19 |
| Chapter 20 |
| Chapter 21 |

GETTING TO KNOW JESUS BETTER

| Personal Reflections On Who Jesus Is As Portrayed In John (Does it impact my personal relationship with him?) |
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| Areas Of Personal Concern Based On What Jesus Taught |
| Explore Further (Things I want to better understand.) |

JOHN 1 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION



Prologue: Christ, The Eternal Word

| 1 In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. |
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| 2 He existed in the beginning with God. |
| 3 God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. |
| 4 The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. |
| 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. |
| 6 God sent a man, John the Baptist, |
| 7 to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. |
| 8 John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. |

| | The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. |
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| 10 | He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. |
| 11 H | He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. |
| | But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. |
| 13 | They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God. |
| | So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son. |
| | John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.'" |
| 16 | From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another. |

| 17 | For | the law | was | given | through | Moses, | but | God's | unfailing | love | and | faithfu | Iness |
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18 No one has ever seen God. But the unique One, who is himself God, is near to the Father's heart. He has revealed God to us.

The Testimony Of John The Baptist

- **19** This was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders sent priests and Temple assistants from Jerusalem to ask John, "Who are you?"
- 20 He came right out and said, "I am not the Messiah."
- 21 "Well then, who are you?" they asked. "Are you Elijah?""No," he replied."Are you the Prophet we are expecting?"

"No."

22 "Then who are you? We need an answer for those who sent us. What do you have to say about yourself?"

| 23 | John replied in the words of the prophet Isaiah: "I am a voice shouting in the wilderness, 'Clear the way for the Lord's coming!" |
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| 24 | Then the Pharisees who had been sent |
| 25 | asked him, "If you aren't the Messiah or Elijah or the Prophet, what right do you have to baptize?" |
| 26 | John told them, "I baptize with water, but right here in the crowd is someone you do not recognize. |
| 27 | Though his ministry follows mine, I'm not even worthy to be his slave and untie the straps of his sandal." |
| 28 | This encounter took place in Bethany, an area east of the Jordan River, where John was baptizing. |
| Je | esus, The Lamb Of God |
| 29 | The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! |

| 30 He is the one I was talking about when I said, 'A man is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.' |
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| 31 I did not recognize him as the Messiah, but I have been baptizing with water so that he might be revealed to Israel." |
| 32 Then John testified, "I saw the Holy Spirit descending like a dove from heaver and resting upon him. |
| 33 I didn't know he was the one, but when God sent me to baptize with water, he told me, 'The one on whom you see the Spirit descend and rest is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' |
| 34 I saw this happen to Jesus, so I testify that he is the Chosen One of God." |
| The First Disciples |
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35 The following day John was again standing with two of his disciples.

Lamb of God!"

36 As Jesus walked by, John looked at him and declared, "Look! There is the

| 37 | When John's two disciples heard this, they followed Jesus. |
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| 38 | Jesus looked around and saw them following. "What do you want?" he asked them. They replied, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" |
| 39 | "Come and see," he said. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon when they went with him to the place where he was staying, and they remained with him the rest of the day. |
| 40 | Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of these men who heard what John said and then followed Jesus. |
| 41 | Andrew went to find his brother, Simon, and told him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means "Christ"). |
| 42 | Then Andrew brought Simon to meet Jesus. Looking intently at Simon, Jesus said, "Your name is Simon, son of John—but you will be called Cephas" (which means "Peter"). |
| 43 | The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Come, follow me." |
| 44 | Philip was from Bethsaida, Andrew and Peter's hometown. |

45 Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, "We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus, the son of Joseph from Nazareth." 46 "Nazareth!" exclaimed Nathanael. "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" "Come and see for yourself," Philip replied. 47 As they approached, Jesus said, "Now here is a genuine son of Israel—a man of complete integrity." 48 "How do you know about me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus replied, "I could see you under the fig tree before Philip found you." 49 Then Nathanael exclaimed, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God—the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus asked him, "Do you believe this just because I told you I had seen you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." 51 Then he said, "I tell you the truth, you will all see heaven open and the angels of God going up and down on the Son of Man, the one who is the stairway between heaven and earth."

JOHN 2 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION



The Wedding At Cana

| | The next day there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, |
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| 2 | and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. |
| 3 | The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine." |
| 4 | "Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My time has not yet come." |
| 5 | But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." |
| 6 | Standing nearby were six stone water jars, used for Jewish ceremonial washing. Each could hold twenty to thirty gallons. |
| 7 | Jesus told the servants, "Fill the jars with water." When the jars had been filled, |
| 8 | he said, "Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies." So the servants followed his instructions. |

- **9** When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants knew), he called the bridegroom over.
- 10 "A host always serves the best wine first," he said. "Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!"
- **11** This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him.
- **12** After the wedding he went to Capernaum for a few days with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples.

Jesus Clears The Temple

- **13** It was nearly time for the Jewish Passover celebration, so Jesus went to Jerusalem.
- **14** In the Temple area he saw merchants selling cattle, sheep, and doves for sacrifices; he also saw dealers at tables exchanging foreign money.

| 15 | Jesus made a whip from some ropes and chased them all out of the Temple. He drove out the sheep and cattle, scattered the money changers' coins over the floor, and turned over their tables. |
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| 16 | Then, going over to the people who sold doves, he told them, "Get these things out of here. Stop turning my Father's house into a marketplace!" |
| 17 | Then his disciples remembered this prophecy from the Scriptures: "Passion for God's house will consume me." |
| 18 | But the Jewish leaders demanded, "What are you doing? If God gave you authority to do this, show us a miraculous sign to prove it." |
| 19 | "All right," Jesus replied. "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." |
| 20 | "What!" they exclaimed. "It has taken forty-six years to build this Temple, and you can rebuild it in three days?" |
| 21 | But when Jesus said "this temple," he meant his own body. |
| 22 | After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered he had said this, and they believed both the Scriptures and what Jesus had said. |

Jesus And Nicodemus

| 23 | Because | of the | miraculous | signs | Jesus | did in | Jerusalem | at the | Passover |
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- 24 But Jesus didn't trust them, because he knew all about people.
- **25** No one needed to tell him about human nature, for he knew what was in each person's heart.