



*just give me Jesus*

A JOURNEY THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

- **Yellow - saw, to look, seen, see**
  - (15 times plus 4 times implied)
  - (stood among them, in the presence, turning around *to see him*)
- Green - what was seen
- Pink - proof of truth
- Turquoise - miracles
- Gray - special notes
- **Blue - believe**
  - 100 of the 250 N.T. uses of "belief" is used are in John
  - John never uses the noun form - verb form only!

# John 20:1-31 (CSB)

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<sup>3</sup> At that, Peter and the other disciple went out, heading for the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and got to the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> Stooping down, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then, following him, Simon Peter also came. He entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there.

**7** The wrapping that had been on his head was not lying with the linen cloths but was folded up in a separate place by itself. **8** The other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, then also went in, saw, and believed (began to believe)(Climax?). **9** For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he must rise from the dead. **10** Then the disciples returned to the place where they were staying.

# MARY MAGDALENE SEES THE RISEN LORD

**11** But Mary stood outside the tomb, crying. As she was crying, she stooped to look into the tomb. **12** She saw two angels in white sitting where Jesus's body had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. **13** They said to her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"Because **they've** taken away my Lord," she told them, "and I don't know where **they've** put him."

**14** Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, **but she did not know it was Jesus.** **15** "Woman," Jesus said to her, "why are you crying? Who is it that you're seeking?"

Supposing he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you've carried him away, tell me where you've put him, and I will take him away."

**16** Jesus said to her, "Mary."

Turning around **(to see him)**, she said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!"—which means "Teacher."

**17** "Don't cling to me," Jesus told her, "since I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."

**18** Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have **seen** the Lord!" And she told them what he had said to her. ***(Where is the rejoicing?)***

***(next verse they are scared!)***

# THE DISCIPLES COMMISSIONED

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**20** Having said this, he showed them his hands and his side. So the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

**21** Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, I also send you." **22** After saying this, he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. **23** If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

# THOMAS SEES AND BELIEVES

**24** But Thomas (called "Twin"), one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. **25** So the other disciples were telling him (***not just Mary!***), "We've **seen** the Lord!" But he said to them, "If I don't **see** the mark of the nails in his hands, put my finger into the mark of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will never **believe**."

26 A week later **(time for doubt!)** his disciples were indoors again, and Thomas was with them **(This is the climax!)**. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

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**28** Thomas responded to him, "My Lord and my God!"

**29** Jesus said, "Because you have seen me, you have believed. **Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."**

# THE PURPOSE OF THIS GOSPEL

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# This is what John is asking us to believe today...

- Jesus was/is God
- Jesus was/is human
- Jesus was the messiah promised in the OT
- Jesus was the perfect, sinless sacrifice for our sins
- Jesus died on the cross as a substitute for humanity
- Jesus was bodily resurrected after three days
- Jesus resurrection proves that Jesus was/is who He said He was
- Jesus resurrection proves that God accepted Jesus' sacrifice
- Jesus' offer to believe in Him for life is a real, logical, valid invitation today

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# 1 Peter 1:3-9 (CSB)

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope **through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead** <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you. <sup>5</sup> You are being guarded by God's power through faith for a salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

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<sup>6</sup> You rejoice in this, even though now for a short time, if necessary, you suffer grief in various trials <sup>7</sup> so that the proven character of your faith—more valuable than gold which, though perishable, is refined by fire—may result in praise, glory, and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> Though you have not seen him, you love him; though not seeing him now, you believe in him, and you rejoice with inexpressible and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> because you are receiving the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.