The Gospel of John

Lesson 1 - Introduction and John 1:1-18

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Chapters 21 Verses 879 Words: 19,094 Written around: Wrote the Gospel of John between A.D. 88 and A.D. 90.

Author of the Book is John Zebedee the brother of James. We see this is (John 13:23, 19:26, 20:2, 21:7, 21:20). He refers to himself. "Whom Jesus Loved" This is John Zebedee.

What did John write? John wrote 5 books in the Bible (Gospel of John, 1 John, 2 John ,3 John, and Revelation)

Theme of the Gospel of John: The main theme of the book is the Deity of Christ and the "I AM", which we know as the Great I AM.

Theme verse to the book of John:

The I AM and salvation is in John 20:31 "But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name."

The Book is broken into 5 sections that we will look at

- 1. The Divine (1:1-18)
- 2. The Deity of Christ (1:19-12:50)
- 3. The Disciples (13-17)
- 4. The Death of Christ (18-20)
- 5. The Disciples last meal (21:1-25)

John 1:1-15

The Deity of Jesus Christ Jesus is The Word 1:1, 1:14

In the Beginning was the Word

1:1, John 6:63 (spoken Word = Life)

Was God

John 1:14, Col. 1:15, Heb. 1:3 Jesus Claims to be God... (John 8:58, 10:30, 14:9) The Creator John 1:3 Genesis 1:26, Colossians 1:16-17

The Life 1:4, 14:6 1 John 5:12, John 5:26,

The Light 1:5, 9, 14:6 Light of creation Genesis 1:3

No one seen God:

John 1:18 "No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him."

Moses cant see the Lords Face: Exodus 33:20-24 "And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live. And the LORD said, Behold, there is a place by me, and thou shalt stand upon a rock: And it shall come to pass, while my glory passeth by, that I will put thee in a clift of the rock, and will cover thee with my hand while I pass by: And I will take away mine hand, and thou shalt see my back parts: but my face shall not be seen."

Jacob wrestled with Jesus Christ: Genesis 32:30 "And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for <u>I have seen God face to face</u>, and my life is preserved."

Jesus explains the Father: John 14:12-18 "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it. If ye love me, keep my commandments. And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you."