

INTRO: THE STEADY DISCIPLE

John, the Disciple Jesus LOVED

The one who stayed with Jesus to the end (at the foot of the Cross)

The one Jesus entrusted with his own mother!

JOHN 20:1-10

I. FAST FEET, SLOW FAITH (JOHN 20:1-10)

Should the Disciples be surprised to hear that something STRANGE is happening on the *third day* after the crucifixion?

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"He (Jesus) explained to them that he must be killed and on the *third day* be raised to life." - Matt 16:21

How much more specific could He have been?

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Now it's the third day... and the stone has been rolled away from the tomb.

What is their conclusion?

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Mary Magdalene - "Somebody (we don't know who) moved His body (we don't know where)."

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John doesn't do much better than Mary... he gets to the tomb first, but he's afraid to go in... and he does not understand that Jesus is ALIVE (yet).

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FINALLY, the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He SAW and BELIEVED

-John 20:8

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Are you like John this morning? A fast car to get here... but maybe your faith is lagging behind a little bit?

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It's normal to have doubts and questions... even John did. But he RAN to SEEK out answers.

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Just as Jesus spoke the plain truth to the disciples, we have clear answers to our questions in God's Word, the Bible. If you **SEEK** God, you will find Him!

I JOHN 5:10-13

II. TRANSFORMED FAITH, TRANSFORMED LIFE (I JOHN 5:10-13)

Where John was previously TIMID,
he is now BOLD and FEARLESS in his
witness for Jesus Christ

II. TRANSFORMED FAITH, TRANSFORMED LIFE (I JOHN 5:10-13)

John's former UNCERTAINTY has been replaced by a Rock-solid ASSURANCE in what he knows to be true (the Gospel).

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John has been transformed.. and
God can do the same thing in you if
you will SEEK Him

REVELATION 1:9-11

III. ENDURING FAITH (REV 1:9-11)

John is an old man as he writes Revelation (85-90 years old). He's lived a long life... and a HARD life.

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Peter and Paul were called to DIE for their faith. John has a different calling... maybe a harder calling in some ways. John is called to LIVE for his faith!

III. ENDURING FAITH (REV 1:9-11)

#1 - The SUFFERING that is ours in
Jesus

III. ENDURING FAITH (REV 1:9-11)

#2 - The KINGDOM that is ours in
Jesus

III. ENDURING FAITH (REV 1:9-11)

#3 - The PATIENT ENDURANCE that
is ours in Jesus

III. ENDURING FAITH (REV 1:9-11)

How do you live faithfully for Jesus your entire life? The same way that John did... by remembering where your HOME is.

CONCLUSION: LIVING FOR JESUS

The KEY to faithful living..
(Hebrews 11:8-10, 24-26)



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What did Abraham, Moses, Peter, Paul, and John all have in common?

They were looking **AHEAD** to the Kingdom that is **OURS** in Jesus!

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Are you willing to LIVE for
Jesus with whatever number
of days you have left?

