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Series: "The Gospel of John: Starting Points" - Part 1 of 5
Message: "The Starting Point"

Text: John 1: 1-18

Introduction to the Gospel of John

Written by the beloved disciple, John.
 The key verse to understanding the Book of John is John 20:31.
 God's purpose for our lives through the Gospel of John is that we would ______.
 The word believe is used ______ times in this book.

Snapshots of the Gospel of John

7 signs/miracles

Water to wine: 2:1-11

Healing nobleman's son: 4:46-54 Healing man at Bethesda: 5:1-18

Feeding the 5,000: 6:1-14 Walking on water: 6:15-21 Healing the blind man: 9:1-41 Raising of Lazarus: 11:1-57

7 Lams

I am the bread of life: 6:35 I am the light of the world: 8:12 I am the gate: 10:9

I am the good shepherd: 10:11 I am the resurrection and life: 11:25 I am the way, the truth and the life: 14:6

I am the true vine: 15:1

7 key people
John the Baptist
Nicodemus
Samaritan Woman
Official and son
Man at Bethesda
Man born Blind
Lazarus (Mary and Martha)

An outline of the Gospel of John

Chapters 1-12 = Jesus in the crowds
Chapters 13-17 = Jesus' private ministry
Chapters 18-19 = Jesus' arrest, death, and burial
Chapters 20-21 = Jesus' resurrection

Jesus is revealed

1. Jesus is ______ (1:1).

2. Jesus is _____ (1:4-5).

3. Jesus became ______ (1:14).

Our response

• John gave ______ to the light (1:6-7).

• The world did not ______ the light (1:10).

• His own did not ______ the light (1:11).

• Those who received the light became _____ (1:12).

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- ☐ Memorize John 1:12.
- ☐ What truth about Jesus being revealed stands out to you from today's message?
- ☐ What is your response to the light?
- ☐ Make a commitment to read the Gospel of John.
- □ Commit your life to God today!

We exist to help turn unbelievers into believers and believers into fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.