



GOSPEL OF JOHN – PART 5 // SERIES SUMMARY

When we arrive in John 12, we learn that Jesus is now less than a week away from his crucifixion. John 12:1 tells us that we’re 6 days away from the Passover Feast and it’s becoming increasingly clear that the Pharisees have a plan to murder God’s Son, the Lamb of God that would take away the sins of the world (Jn 1:29). However, as his oppressors get louder, Jesus’ mission becomes clearer – Jesus tells us that He will in fact die (Jn 12:7), that His death will take place on a cross (Jn 12:32), that He will cast out Satan through His death (Jn 12:31), that He will be glorified by His death (Jn 12:23), and that His death will bring eternal life to anyone that would lose their life to follow Him (Jn 12:25). Although the adoring crowds would soon reject Him, John wants us to see in John 12 more clearly than ever that Jesus really is the Triumphant King that has come to save His people from their sins.

Over the next 6 weeks, we’ll explore several of the contrasts that John presents to us through John 12 – treasure over treason, adoration over rejection, losing our life over loving our life, light over dark, and ultimately belief over unbelief. In all of this, we pray that the object of our faith would become clearer as we stand in awe of the glory of Jesus Christ presented to us through His Word.

DATE	WEEK	PASSAGE	TITLE
11/12/23	1	John 12:1-11	Treasure Over Treason
11/19/23	2	John 12:12-19	Adoration Over Rejection
11/26/23	3	John 12:20-26	Losing Life Over Loving Life
12/3/23	4	John 12:27-36	Light Over Dark
12/10/23	5	John 12:36-43	Belief Over Unbelief (Part 1)
12/17/23	6	John 12:44-50	Belief Over Unbelief (Part 2)

GOSPEL COMMUNITY QUESTIONS

1. Read the passage for this week together as a GC. Is there anything that stands out to you on your first read? Look for themes, repeated words, characters, or questions you might have about the passage.
2. What contrast do you see in this passage? Is this contrast represented by characters, ideas, themes, or something else?
3. Where do you have a tendency to represent the negative contrast that John presents in this passage?
4. What does this passage declare to us about Jesus, either in His character or His work?
5. How might believing in and enjoying that declaration about Jesus produce the positive contrast we read about in this passage in your life?
6. Where can our GC encourage, speak into, support, or pray for you in light of where you’re being convicted or encouraged by this passage?