



Emet Ministries

The Gospel *of John* | The Gospel of Belief

A Small Group Study

WEEK 1: JOHN 1:1-28

Outline:

John 1:1-5- The Word (Logos) is Jesus. Jesus is not created; He has always existed, and He is truly God. All things were created through Him and for Him (Col 1:16). The darkness cannot overcome Him.

John 1:6- John the Baptist was a messenger sent to testify about Jesus, the Light that casts out darkness (this is not the Gospel writer).

John 1:7-18- The True Light is Jesus. Jesus has come to save us from the darkness that has hidden God from us. The darkness plagues the whole earth, and we want the darkness. The darkness is overcome by believing in Jesus, who put on flesh to dwell among us. In Jesus Christ, God became Incarnate.

John 1:19-28- John was fulfilling Old Testament prophecy as he paved the way for Jesus. The baptism he was performing was a baptism of repentance (Mark 1:4), in which one acknowledges their need for cleansing. John recognizes that Jesus is greater than he, despite a large crowd following him.

WEEK 1: JOHN 1:1-28

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why is it important that Jesus became a man?
2. The Word created everything in the universe, yet you (humans) are His special creation. How does that make you feel?
3. Reflect on the need for Jesus to be the Light of the world to cast out darkness.
4. Why can't we get rid of the darkness on our own?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How might you use this passage in evangelism?
2. How does this text defend Jesus' deity?
3. What does John the Baptist's message tell us about the message we should proclaim?

Christian Living

1. John the Baptist said, "He who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." What do you think about his humility?
2. Reflect on why Jesus is so great. What makes him worthy of following?
3. Have you ever felt overcome by darkness? How could turning to Jesus help you overcome the darkness?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 2: JOHN 1:29-52

Outline:

John 1:29-34- Jesus is the Lamb of God! John the Baptist testifies that Jesus is God and confesses that at Jesus' baptism, the Spirit of God came upon Jesus. This was confirmation that Jesus is the Son of God.

John 1:35-52- Andrew is the first disciple in John's Gospel to confess that Jesus is the Messiah. John then records the gathering of the Disciples, Jesus' closest students. These individuals will spend the next three years of their lives learning from Jesus and discovering what it truly means for Him to be the Son of Man.

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. What does it mean for Jesus to be the Lamb of God?
2. Why is it important that Jesus is not just a man, but also fully God?
3. Whose sin does Jesus die for? Is everyone saved?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. What message do we proclaim about Jesus to the world?
2. How does this passage defend the claim that Jesus did call Himself God?
3. Jesus asks two of John's disciples, "What are you seeking?" How is this question relevant to our evangelism today?

WEEK 2: JOHN 1:29-52

DISCUSSION

Christian Living

1. Reflect on the Disciples' radical obedience to drop what they were doing and follow Jesus.
2. What is Jesus calling you to leave behind to follow Him more closely?
3. How often do you think about the titles given to Jesus in this section? What do they mean to you?

The Lamb of God

The one who takes away the sins of the world

Son of God

Son of Man

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 3: JOHN 2:1-25

Outline:

John 2:1-12- Jesus' ministry begins at a wedding where He turns water into wine. This miracle is called a "sign" by John, which becomes significant as He wants to show that these miracles are pointing to the deity of Jesus.

John 2:13-17- During Passover, Jesus is furious that people are trying to take advantage of others in the Temple by selling goods and animals to be sacrificed. His zeal for the temple is the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecy, and the Disciples noticed.

John 2:18-22- Jesus is challenged for the first time and responds to their challenge by speaking about His resurrection. However, He does not deny that they will destroy His temple first.

John 2:23-25- Jesus did not reveal Himself to others, even though they appeared to believe due to the signs they had seen. He knew that man was inwardly evil.

WEEK 3: JOHN 2:1-25

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. The Disciples noticed that Jesus was fulfilling prophecy before them. Do you know the Scriptures in this way?
2. Why should we not take the worship of God lightly?
3. What does Jesus know about the heart of man?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Jesus is not here to perform miracles, so how do you point to Him?
2. Reflect on the significance of the resurrection.
3. Why must we talk about man's heart problem in evangelism?

Christian Living

1. The water being turned to wine is a sign of Jesus' deity, and strengthens the faith of the disciples. What has strengthened your faith recently?
2. Our flesh desires to sin. How do you fight sin daily?
3. Reflect on your prayer life. Do you have zeal for prayer?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 4: JOHN 3:1-36

Outline:

John 3:1-15- Jesus is visited by a Pharisee who wants to learn from Him. Jesus tells him that the way to eternal life is to be born again. Jesus is telling Nicodemus that he cannot earn His salvation, but that God saves sinners by bringing new life through regeneration of the Holy Spirit.

John 3:16-21- The Father sent the Son to die for sinners, because of love. It is through belief in the Son of God that one is saved, and in not believing, one is condemned. They are not condemned for not believing, but are condemned for sinning against God.

John 3:22- John the Baptist is not the Messiah, but the one who points to Him. He classically says, "He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30). John emphasizes the greatness of Jesus by pointing out that He saves people and is worthy of dedicating our lives to Him.

WEEK 4: JOHN 3:1-36

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Connect the end of chapter 2 with Jesus' teaching about being born again. What does this tell us about how we are to be made right with God?
2. Why must we be born again?
3. Why did Jesus come to die for sinners?
4. Why do people perish?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How is John 3:16-17 a motivation for evangelism?
2. How does John 3:3 give you confidence for evangelism?
3. Why is it important to understand that people do not want the light?

Christian Living

1. Reflect on why Nicodemus might have gone to see Jesus at night. Do you treat Jesus this way?
2. Reflect on John 3:16-17.
3. Jesus said that He would be lifted, so that whoever believes will have eternal life. Reflect on the death of Christ. What does it mean to you? What emotions does it stir?
4. How does Jesus increase in your life? How do you decrease?

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WEEK 5: JOHN 4:1-54

Outline:

John 4:1-30- Culturally speaking, Jesus should not have been talking to the woman at the well. The woman, an outcast from society, felt so isolated and ashamed that she went alone at noon to get water. Jesus exposes her, tells her that true worship is in Spirit and truth, and offers her eternal life.

John 4:31-45- Jesus tells His Disciples that He hungers to do righteousness and is satisfied in doing the will of the Father. He tells them that there is a plentiful harvest to reap and that there are laborers and reapers, both doing God's work.

John 4:46-54 - An official comes to Jesus believing that Jesus could heal his son. This tells us that the word of Jesus' miraculous works was spreading across the land. Jesus heals the man's son, and John tells us this is the second sign.

WEEK 5: JOHN 4:1-54

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why is Jesus' teaching about worshipping in Spirit and truth so important?
2. What is our role in God's plan of redemption?
3. What does the second sign tell us?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. What does the Samaritan woman's reaction teach us about telling others about Jesus?
2. What do people use to satisfy the desires of their souls? How can we connect to this in evangelism?
3. The official was made aware of the power of Jesus through the talk of others. Does your talk of Jesus **demonstrate His power?**

Christian Living

1. What does it look like for you to drink from the well of everlasting water?
2. Reflect on what it was like for you when you first came to Christ. (Share your testimonies)

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WEEK 6: JOHN 5:1-47

Outline:

John 5:1-19- The pool at Bethesda was full of sick people who believed in ancient superstitions. Jesus confronts one man, telling him to get up, and the man is healed and walks away. This healing occurred on the Sabbath, which caused the Jews to be angry. Eventually, the Jews found out that Jesus was the one who healed the man, and they began persecuting Him. He responded by pointing out His equality with the Father, which only made them persecute Him more, for it was blasphemy.

John 5:20-29- The Son does the will of the Father. He has authority because He is God and is doing what God does. Jesus makes it clear that to honor the Son is to honor the Father, and that to dishonor the Son is to dishonor the Father. Jesus once again emphasizes that eternal life is received through belief and is for those who have been made alive through regeneration. Then he speaks of the future resurrection of the body.

John 5:30-47- Jesus tells the Jews that He is obeying the Father and that the Old Testament is all about Him. This is important because Jesus is claiming that the Jews had the truth, yet did not understand it. He charges them with not believing Moses, and that their unbelief about who He is will condemn them.

WEEK 6: JOHN 5:1-47

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why is it important that Jesus have equality with the Father?
2. Why is it essential that we understand the need for regeneration and belief when it comes to receiving eternal life?
3. How does the Old Testament point to Jesus?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. When we share the gospel with others, what is important to tell them about being made right with God?
2. Jesus says that He cannot do anything on His own. How might some use this against Christianity and the deity of Christ? (Think about Muslims.)

Christian Living

1. Reflect on the glory of God. How does His majesty impact your walk?
2. Do you ever try to live for your own glory? How do you repent of this?
3. Do you look forward to the resurrection that is to come?

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WEEK 7: JOHN 6:1-71

John 6:1-15 - Jesus' fame is spreading, and a crowd of over 5,000 follows Him with nothing to eat. This is an opportune time for another sign of Jesus, so He takes five loaves of bread and two fish and feeds the whole crowd. The people have misunderstood the Messiah's role and seek to crown Him King. This is a major issue for the Jews during this time. They are looking for an earthly King to overthrow the Romans.

John 6:16-21- Jesus walks on water, demonstrating to His Disciples His authority over nature.

John 6:22-59- Jesus tells the people that God is the supplier of all their needs. He calls Himself the Bread of Life. This is the first 'I Am' statement from Jesus, in which He testifies to His deity and the necessity of being in Him by faith to receive eternal life. (The connection to Jesus being the bread comes back in communion. In communion, we spiritually feast on Christ and represent our union with Him in the bread and in remembering the work of the Cross.) The Jews were confused by the need to abide in Christ and His example of eating His flesh.

John 6:60-71- The Disciples claim that Jesus' teaching is difficult, and Jesus reminds them that not all will believe. When He asks them if they want to leave, Peter says, "To whom shall we go? You have the Words of eternal life."

WEEK 7: JOHN 6:1-71

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. The Jews did not understand what the Messiah was supposed to do, so they looked for an earthly King. What does this tell us about theology and studying the Scriptures?
2. What does Jesus mean when He says He is the bread of life? How does this connect to communion?
3. Why is Peter's statement so significant in John 6:68-69?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Reflect on the importance of keeping people from coming to Jesus, because of the gifts He gives that aren't eternal life.
2. Why is it hard for people to believe the gospel?

Christian Living

1. The people had misplaced expectations of Jesus, thinking He would bring them physical gain. How do you discern that you have the right expectations of God?
2. Reflect on the moment in the boat and Jesus' words: It is I; do not be afraid.
3. How do you understand the need for us to eat of Christ's flesh?

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WEEK 8: JOHN 7:1-52

John 7:1-24- Jesus' life is fully at risk, and the Jews are looking to kill Him. Jesus' death was not yet supposed to happen, so He did not seek out large crowds. In secret, He goes to Judea and begins to teach in the Synagogue, saying that He is seeking to bring glory to God, and then corrects their understanding of the Law. He teaches that it is good to do good on the Sabbath.

John 7:25-31 - The people begin to question whether Jesus is truly the Christ.

John 7:32-36- The Pharisees came to hunt Jesus, and He spoke of His ascension, which confused the people.

John 7:37-52- Jesus spoke about the coming of the Holy Spirit, who would give life and lead them in righteousness. This led to a debate among the people about who Jesus was, which in turn prompted the Pharisees to call for a trial. We see Nicodemus from John 3 show up in the section and contend for a fair trial for Jesus.

John 7:53-8:11- This is not in the earliest manuscripts. A true story about Jesus and His ministry, but most likely not written by John and added by a scribe. There are many more stories than just this one (John 21:25).

WEEK 8: JOHN 7:1-52

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. What did the Jews not understand about the Law of God and being made right with God?
2. What is the future role of the Holy Spirit that Jesus is speaking about?
3. Why is it important that we have a theologically correct view of who Jesus is and His ascension?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Evangelism is not about our glory, but God's. How do you stay humble in evangelism?
2. Nicodemus is, in some ways, engaging in apologetics. How do you defend Christ regularly?

Christian Living

1. How do you check your heart to see whose glory you seek?
2. What is the danger of falling into the trap of trying to keep the whole law?
3. Reflect on the significance of Jesus' teaching about having your thirst be quenched.

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WEEK 9: JOHN 8:12-59

John 8:12- Jesus provides another "I Am" statement and further identifies Himself as God. Here, He declares that He is the light of the world, meaning He brings salvation out of darkness.

John 8:13-18- Jesus declares that He has the right to judge, even though He did not come to judge. He does defend His right to judge because of His relationship to the Father. This points to the Second Coming of Christ, which will include judgment.

John 8:19-30- Jesus continues to affirm the relationship He has with the Father, and teaches the Pharisees that they don't see the Father because they don't see Him.

John 8:30-38- Jesus teaches the disciples to abide/remain in Him. It is in abiding in Christ that freedom is found. We are all in need of being freed because we are enslaved to sin.

John 8:39-47- The Jews thought they were of God simply because they were born Jewish. Yet, their lives did not reflect that they actually knew God. Jesus is pointing this out to them.

John 8:48-59- Jesus declares that He does not have a demon and that He was before Abraham. Stating that He is of God and that He always existed.

WEEK 9: JOHN 8:12-59

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Differentiate between the two comings of Jesus. How does Jesus' first coming look different than His second coming in the future?
2. How does the Son take us to the Father?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Note how many times Jesus "answers" people in this chapter. What does this tell us about how we are to engage others with the gospel?
2. How do you share the gospel hope of being freed from sin?
3. Reflect on Jesus' statement about the lost Jews who reject God. This is a true statement about all who reject Christ. How does this impact evangelism?

Christian Living

1. How do you walk in the Light?
2. Reflect on how Christ frees us from sin, and even though you may be a Christian, you are not immune to becoming ensnared in sin.
3. Does your life reflect that you know God?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 10: JOHN 9:1-41

John 9:1-13- Jesus took time to heal the blind man and revealed that not all physical ailments are punishment, but that they are a result of sin and serve a greater purpose: to show God's glory.

John 9:14-34- The Pharisees are once again upset that Jesus has done good works on the Sabbath, yet they were perplexed, because He did righteous deeds. To confirm the work, the Jews asked the blind man's parents, who said yes, but blamed their son out of fear of being sent out. The blind man says he doesn't know if Jesus is a sinner or not, but he does know that he was once blind, and now he sees. The Jews continued to accuse Jesus of being a sinner, and the formerly blind man defended him as being someone from God; thus, he was kicked out of the synagogue.

John 9:35-41- Jesus taught the blind man that he was offering physical and spiritual sight, which is something only the Son of Man can do. This was a reality received by belief. The blind man believed and worshiped. Jesus tells the overhearing Pharisees that they are blind spiritually.

WEEK 10: JOHN 9:1-41

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. What does Jesus' healing act and sending out of the blind man reveal to us about our calling and our being sent out?
2. The Pharisees are adamant that Jesus is a sinner. Reflect on the significance of Jesus' perfection as He performs miracles.
3. What does it mean to be spiritually blind?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Jesus was always looking for those to show compassion to. How does this translate to evangelism? Do you look to share the gospel?
2. How do you tell others about what has happened to you? Is it evident that you were once blind, but now see, that the old is gone, and the new has come?
3. Is your life an apologetic for the faith you have in Christ?

Christian Living

1. Do you see your suffering as an opportunity for God's glory to be magnified?
2. Are you bold in confessing who Jesus is, even when it may mean that you are seen as odd or as an outcast?
3. Reflect on how you have been healed of your spiritual blindness and the amazing grace of God.

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 11: JOHN 10:1-42

John 10:1-6- Jesus tells them that the shepherd comes through the door, because he is supposed to be there. The thief comes in over the gate because he is not supposed to be there. Jesus is sent from God, so He comes through the gate, and His sheep hear His voice. Those not of God come over the gate like thieves.

John 10:7-22 Jesus is the good shepherd. There is none like Him, but there is one who looks to destroy. Jesus' role as the shepherd is to gain His flock by laying His life down for them, which He does willingly. In this passage, Jesus identifies sheep that are His, that are not of the fold, the Gentiles. The Jews were divided over His teaching: Was He from God or the Devil?

John 10:23-42- The Jews ask for a plain explanation about who Jesus is, and Jesus says that He has told them, yet they do not believe. He tells them that He has shown them through His works, which are the works of God the Father. Then, He declares to be one with the Father (they are both eternally God and individual persons within the Trinity). This declaration nearly gets Him stoned, and He points out that His works show that He is of God.

WEEK 11: JOHN 10:1-42

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Jesus says that those who are not of His flock will not follow Him. Reflect on this idea.
2. Who are the sheep of the fold and not of the fold that will be gathered in verse 16?
3. Explain in your own words how Jesus and the Father are one.

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. If God knows His sheep, why do we share the gospel?
2. What confidence does it give you in knowing that the sheep of God will come to God when you're sharing the gospel?
3. What hope does Jesus offer to the lost sheep?

Christian Living

1. In what areas of your life do you not believe the promises of God to be true?
2. What comfort does it give you knowing that none of the sheep of Christ will be snatched from His hand?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 12: JOHN 11:1-37

John 11:1-17- Jesus is told that a friend He loved dearly, Lazarus, is ill, but instead of healing Him immediately, He tells the sister that this illness is for the glory of God. We learn soon after that Lazarus died while Jesus waited two days, and that Jesus was glad, for this would help the disciples believe.

John 11:18-27- When Jesus arrives, Martha says that He could have healed Lazarus, and when He tells her that Lazarus will rise again, she believes that He is talking about the future resurrection of the dead. Jesus quickly corrects her with another I Am statement and says that He is the resurrection and the life. She quickly confesses that she believes Jesus to be the Christ, the Son of God.

John 11:28-37- After visiting with Mary, Jesus asked to be taken to the tomb of Lazarus, and there He wept. This short verse reminds us of the humanity of Christ, the impact of sin, and the reality that death was not supposed to be. While at the tomb, some ponder the love Jesus had for Lazarus, while others contemplate why He did not heal Lazarus.

WEEK 12: JOHN 11:1-37

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. How is God glorified through our suffering and hardship? How do you remind yourself of this?
2. What is our ultimate hope in life and death?
3. What does Jesus' weeping tell us about His humanity?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Death is inevitable. How does the promise of death motivate evangelism?
2. How does Jesus' title of being the resurrection and the life impact evangelism? Who brings life?

Christian Living

1. Jesus had close friendships. Reflect on the need for deep friendships and why even Jesus had them.
2. The story of Lazarus teaches us that God does not always answer our prayers immediately or in the ways that we think He will. Reflect on how you have seen God answer prayers.
3. What encourages your belief in God?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 13: JOHN 11:38-57

John 11:38-44- Jesus shows that he who has died will not remain, for after Lazarus was in the tomb for four days, He calls him to rise and walk. Before calling Lazarus, Jesus thanks the Father and demonstrates that the work He is doing is for the sake of those who are watching so that they may believe the Father sent him.

John 11:45-57 - Obviously, this miracle led many to believe that Jesus had raised Lazarus from the dead; yet, some went to the Pharisees, who began to fear the repercussions. The Pharisees believed that if the Romans heard what was happening, they would remove them from power and that there would be strict military control in the region. Caiaphas, the high priest, said, "It is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the nation should perish." After this prophecy, they began to think about ways they could kill Jesus, not knowing that doing so would be the way that the people of God would be truly saved. Jesus began to hide as he traveled throughout the region.

WEEK 13: JOHN 11:38-57

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Jesus is the one mediator for all your sins, and all the sins of those who believe in Him. Reflect on this and Caiaphas' prophecy in verse 50.
2. Why did Jesus have to die?
3. Reflect on what it might have been like to be Lazarus after the resurrection.

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How do you explain the depth of Christ's sacrifice to someone who has never heard the gospel?
2. God's people are from all over the world. What implications does His death have for those who have not heard the gospel?

Christian Living

1. Jesus' enemies sought to use Him for their gain. Do you ever seek to use Jesus?
2. Do you view the cross as a "get out of jail free card" or a license to sin?
3. The Pharisees feared losing their power if Jesus gained more followers. What do you have to give to follow Jesus more closely?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 14: JOHN 12:1-26

John 12:1-8- After the resurrection of Lazarus, Jesus and the disciples are preparing for Passover in Bethany with Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. Mary famously poured out a bunch of expensive ointment on Jesus' feet and wiped His feet with her hair. In the ancient world, this was a lowly task; the feet were dirty, and you would not have typically used an expensive ointment for this purpose. Judas was bothered that the ointment was not sold, and John tells us that Judas had been stealing from the moneybag, indicating that his heart was not truly in the right place.

John 12:9-11- Lazarus' resurrection was big news and resulted in many people coming to hear Jesus and believe in Him, which is why the chief priest sought to kill him alongside Jesus.

John 12:12-19- Jesus entered Jerusalem to celebrate Passover with a large crowd. This crowd laid Palms at His feet. In the other Gospels, we are told He rode in on the back of a colt. The colt symbolizes peace, and His overall entrance is a fulfilled prophecy. The people celebrated His entrance into the city. This is a stark contrast to what will happen in only a few days.

John 12:20-26- During those days, there were even Greeks who followed Jesus. This demonstrates that from the very beginning, the gospel is the power to save both Jew and Gentile. During this time, Jesus teaches His followers that to follow Him is to lose one's life.

WEEK 14: JOHN 12:1-26

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Jesus foretells His coming death. Why do you think you constantly mention this to His followers?
2. Why is it important that Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecy?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Lazarus' life is put at risk for being raised from the dead. How do you weigh the cost of following Christ?
2. When it comes to evangelism, what does it mean for us to die to ourselves?

Christian Living

1. When Jesus calls us to follow Him, He calls us to give Him our all. What has that meant for you?
2. How do you guard and check your heart from falling in love with the things of the world?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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WEEK 15: JOHN 12:27-50

John 12:27-36- When Jesus is before the crowd, He asks the Father to be glorified, and the crowd is stunned when they hear the Father respond to the request. Jesus then tells them that He will be lifted, another reference to the cross, and that the cross is salvation for those that Christ draws, and a significant defeat for the ruler of the world. The crowd is confused by Jesus' words and unsure why He is doing what He is doing. This further demonstrates that they did not quite understand who He was, which is why He exhorts them to believe in the light.

John 12:37-50- Despite having seen so many signs, the people did not believe. Their hearts were hardened; they ultimately loved the ways of the world, and God gave them up to these very desires, as was prophesied in Isaiah and quoted by John. John also notes that there were secret believers, because they loved the glory of man more than the glory that comes from God.

WEEK 15: JOHN 12:27-50

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. The cross defeats the ruler of the world. Who is he? How does the cross defeat him?
2. In what book of the Old Testament is there a prophecy about a bruising and a crushing (a lifting up and destruction of the ruler of the earth)?
3. Jesus says He came to save, not judge. How has this idea been abused by those who say, "Love others and don't judge them."?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Why do you think it is important to remember that many people will not believe even if they see all the signs in the world?
2. How does knowing there will be a "last day" impact evangelism?
3. How does knowing Christ came to save sinners impact your daily evangelism?

Christian Living

1. Do you ever find yourself acting like one of the secret believers in verses 42-43? Why do you do this? How do you prevent yourself from doing this?
2. How do you daily receive Christ and remind yourself of the gospel?

ACCOUNTABILITY

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2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 16: JOHN 13:1-38

John 13:1-11- Jesus prepared for His departure by spending time with those He loved dearly. He knew He would be leaving them here, so he gathered them for a meal. John tells us that the devil already possessed Judas and that Jesus was aware of His future betrayal. Despite this, Jesus takes the lowly position and washes the feet of the disciples, including Judas. Peter initially objected to this, but Jesus answered that to share in Christ's life is to be washed by Christ.

John 13:12-20- Jesus then calls His disciples to serve one another the way He has served them. He tells them, and us, that we should not expect to be greater than our master. During this time, Jesus again tells them that He will be betrayed, but reminds them that all who receive Him will be saved.

John 13:21-30- The disciples were all troubled by the claim that one of them would betray Jesus, and when John asks who will do it, Jesus seemingly directs his attention to Judas. Yet, when Jesus told Judas to do his work quickly, we are told that the disciples did not know why and assumed Judas left for practical reasons.

John 13:31-38- Jesus tells the disciples that He is going somewhere that they cannot go, and that while they remain, they are to love one another. This is a mark of the Christian life. Peter longs to follow Jesus, but is told that He will soon deny Christ.

WEEK 16: JOHN 13:1-38

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why do we all need to be washed by Jesus? How does He do the actual cleansing?
2. Reflect on the significance of Judas' betrayal happening at night. Why is the darkness/nighttime often associated with wickedness?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Reflect on Judas's presence at the foot washing. How does this impact your evangelism? Are there some that you would exclude from the washing of Christ, but Christ would not?
2. How does our love for one another reflect the gospel?

Christian Living

1. Jesus washed the disciples' feet and displayed a great act of humble service. How do you humbly serve those around you?
2. Do you look to serve in ways that are seen by others or in ways that no one sees and in jobs that no one wants to do?
3. Reflect on your daily spiritual walk. How do you receive Christ daily?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 17: JOHN 14:1-31

John 14:1-7- The disciples are rightly shaken up by Jesus telling them He will leave them, but He exhorts them to believe in God and Him as He reminds them that there is a future home for them that He is going to go and prepare. He tells them that He is the way, the truth, and the life. This is an exclusive claim. Salvation ultimately only comes through Jesus.

John 14:8-14- Philip asks to see the Father, but Jesus tells him that it is through Him that the Father is revealed. He encourages Peter to trust this because of the works that He has done, which point to the Father. Jesus then tells the disciples that they will do the works of the Father and even greater things than He did. Jesus wants them to know that the Father is truly their Father, and that the Spirit of God will soon reside in them.

John 14:15-31- Jesus makes a seemingly obvious statement about how we will live. If we love Him, we will keep His commandments. The reality is that we are fallen creatures, so we do not keep His commandments perfectly. Thankfully, the Holy Spirit has been given to us, so we can live the Christian life out. Jesus promised that after He leaves, the Spirit will come, and that He will enable the disciples, and the whole church, to live out the faith. The disciples seemed to want more teaching on this, but aware of the nearing hour, Jesus began to talk less.

WEEK 17: JOHN 14:1-31

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why is John 14:6 a crucial verse to memorize? What does it tell us theologically about who Jesus is?
2. How does Jesus reveal the Father?
3. Does Jesus mean that we can have whatever we want if we ask for it in His name (verses 13-14)?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How does John 14:6 impact our evangelism?
2. How do our works impact our evangelistic outreach?
3. What role does the Spirit play in evangelism?

Christian Living

1. When your faith is weary, how do you rest in Christ?
2. How do your works reflect the glory of the Father?
3. How does the Holy Spirit lead you in righteous living?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 18: JOHN 15:1-27

John 15:1-11- Jesus reminds the disciples that He is the true vine. This is a fundamental teaching that all of those who are in Christ, attached to the vine, will bear fruit. Jesus also teaches that those who bear fruit will be pruned, so that more fruit may come. Then, He tells them to abide in Him. This is a simple call for us to rest and remain in the Lord. To not abide in Christ is to be thrown into the fire. When we abide in Christ, we do good works and we bring glory to the Father. Interestingly, our joy and Christ's joy are connected to our abiding in Him.

John 15:12-17- Jesus again reminds the disciples to love one another, and points out that love is at the center of the Christian faith. He tells them that there is no greater love than the love displayed through sacrificing oneself for a friend.

John 15:18-27- Almost as if He is contrasting the love the Christian is to have with one another, Jesus goes on to tell the disciples that the world will hate them. This is the logical conclusion of following Jesus, whom the world hated. Jesus then says that He will send them and the Spirit out into the world to bear witness to the truth, namely, the gospel.

WEEK 18: JOHN 15:1-27

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Are we saved because we abide in Christ and do good works?
2. Why is love central to the Christian faith?
3. How should Christians think about persecution?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How do you display a Christ-like love to others in your evangelism? Do you love those who are hard to love?
2. Reflect on why it is important to remember that the world hates Christ when it comes to evangelism.

Christian Living

1. Reflect on the seasons where you have had deep joy. Were those times associated with a nearness to Christ?
2. Reflect on the reality that Jesus laid down His life for His friends, including you.
3. Reflect on the call for Christians to love one another. How do you love people who are hard to love in the church?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 19: JOHN 16:1-33

John 16:1-15- Jesus tells the disciples of their coming persecution, so that they may not be dismayed when it comes (and it does come – many of them die brutal deaths at the hands of persecutors of the church). Jesus then says that it is to the advantage of the disciples and the Christians to come that He goes away, so that the Spirit may come. He is the Spirit of truth, and He convicts us of truth and leads us in truth as He indwells all believers.

John 16:16-24- Jesus then confuses the disciples by talking subtly about His death, resurrection, and ascension. Jesus promises them that they will weep, but that their weeping will turn to rejoicing soon after. He compares this to a mother who gives birth; there is pain, but quickly after, there is a great rejoicing for what is gained through that pain.

John 16:25- Jesus tells them plainly that He is from the Father and that He is returning to the Father. The disciples immediately understand what Jesus is teaching, and Jesus warns them that they will scatter and abandon Him.

WEEK 19: JOHN 16:1-33

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. What is the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the Christian?
2. How should we understand the world's hatred of Christianity?
3. How are we to be in the world, but not of the world?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How do the deaths/martyrdoms of the disciples demonstrate that Christ really did rise from the grave?
2. What do you do when others mock you in your evangelism?
3. What does the Spirit's role in evangelism and the Christian life teach us about global missions?

Christian Living

1. How does the cross turn weeping into rejoicing?
2. Reflect on verse 24. What does it mean for us to have our joy fulfilled? How do you pursue this?
3. How do you respond to those who hate you for being a Christian? What does Christ call us to?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 20: JOHN 17:1-26

John 17:1-8- The High Priestly Prayer of Jesus is a display of the Son of God laying out His heart before the Father. He longs for the Father to be glorified through His actions being glorified by the Father. Jesus also teaches us throughout this prayer. Namely, He tells us that eternal life is to know the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. In this prayer, Jesus talks about the glory He had before the incarnation, and the desire to attain that glory once more as He reflects on the work He accomplished in His earthly ministry.

John 17:9-26- Jesus identifies that His prayer is specifically for those who are His people. He then prays for His people as they remain in the world. He prays specifically that they would be protected from the evil one. What an extraordinary prayer! Then He prays that the truth would sanctify them. Jesus does not only pray for His immediate disciples, but also prays for the future followers. Jesus prays that as His followers go out, that He would be united with them, just as He is united with the Father.

WEEK 20: JOHN 17:1-26

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. How does one attain eternal life according to the High Priestly Prayer?
2. What role does the Spirit play in our sanctification?
3. Reflect on the union we have with Christ.

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How does your life reflect the life Jesus had in being sent into the world?
2. Faith in Christ comes through hearing the word. What are the ways that you are sharing the word with others?
3. How do you make known the love of Christ?

Christian Living

1. How do you aim to “know” God more each day?
2. Reflect on Christ’s prayer for believers. How do you feel knowing the Savior has prayed for you?
3. What does it mean for you to be sanctified with truth? How does this happen?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 21: JOHN 18:1-27

John 18:1-11- After Jesus' prayer, Judas and a band of soldiers and officers meet Jesus in the Garden. Jesus seems so calm in this moment, demonstrating that His time before the Father has brought Him great comfort as He does what must be done. Jesus swiftly turned Himself over, and when the guards went to grab Him, Peter cut off the ear of a servant of the high priest. We are told the servant's name is Malchus, presumably because he later converted and was in the church. Jesus rebuked Peter, healed Malchus, and went with the guard.

John 18:12-27- John goes on to record what happened to Jesus after His arrest. First, He is taken to Annas. Then John tells us that Peter denies Christ, as Jesus said he would. As Jesus is before the high priest, His ministry is challenged. He told them that He spoke in the synagogues, and that they should ask His listeners what He taught. This resulted in Him being struck, and after not being able to point out the wrong teaching, Annas sent Him to Caiaphas. John records that between the transfer, Peter denies Christ a second and third time, just before the rooster crowed as Jesus prophesied.

WEEK 21: JOHN 18:1-27

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Reflect on Jesus' disposition during His arrest. John tells us, "Jesus, knowing all that would happen to Him, came forward."
2. Why was Annas not able to find any fault with Jesus' teaching?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. What does Jesus' submission to the Father's will reveal to us about our evangelism?
2. Why must we remember that we do not win souls through fighting? Namely, what does Peter's interaction with Malchus and Jesus' healing of Malchus' ear teach us?
3. What can we learn from Peter's denial?

Christian Living

1. How does being in the presence of the Father impact your daily walk?
2. Reflect on Jesus' willingness to drink the cup the Father had given Him, and the great love He has for you in doing so.

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 22: JOHN 18:28-40

John 18:28-32- Jesus is taken away from the Jewish leaders and into the presence of the Roman leaders. John tells us that the Jewish leaders did not enter into the governor's headquarters because they did not want to be defiled. This demonstrates again the Pharisees' misunderstanding of the Law. Time and time again, they think keeping the Law will make them righteous, and the irony is that Jesus is being taken to Pilate to be crucified eventually, because no one is righteous. Pilate is the Roman leader of the region and is told that Jesus was doing evil, and is asked to judge Him because the Jews could lawfully put anyone to death.

John 18:33-40- Pilate asked Jesus if He was the King of the Jews. Jesus does not affirm the title, but instead says that His kingdom is not of this world. Of course, Pilate is confused by this, and Jesus explains that His purpose was to bear witness to the truth. Ultimately, Pilate finds no fault in Jesus and offers to free Him. However, the people want Barabbas, a robber, to be set free.

WEEK 22: JOHN 18:28-40

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. What is the purpose of the Law?
2. If keeping the Law does not make one clean, how does one become clean?
3. Jesus could have been released, but the people wanted the robber Barabbas. What does this reveal about the hearts of men and women?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. What truth did Jesus bear witness to? What truth do we bear witness to?
2. How do you defend the hope that is within you when people ask you questions about your faith?

Christian Living

1. Reflect on the request to have Barabbas released and how, just a few days before, the people were celebrating Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. How does that parallel your walk as a Christian?
2. Reflect on the reality that you are the Barabbas figure, and Christ is taking your place at the cross.

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 23: JOHN 19:1-16

John 19:1-6- Before Jesus was crucified, He was flogged. Flogging was a brutal act where individuals were whipped with a cord made of thorns, wood, and even bone. Each whip would usually pull off flesh when it penetrated the body. Then, Pilate put a crown of thorns on Jesus and wrapped Him in a purple robe to mock His title: The King of the Jews. Before the crucifixion began, Jesus would have already undergone a painful and mocking experience.

John 19:7-16- Pilate thinks this punishment is enough at first, then he is told that Jesus claims to be the Son of God. When asked, Jesus does not reply and brings to mind the prophecy from Isaiah 53. When Pilate tells Jesus that he has the authority to crucify Him, Jesus subtly responds by telling him that the authority he has is from above. Pilate did not want to crucify Jesus, but the people insisted, "Crucify Him!"

WEEK 23: JOHN 19:1-16

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Read Isaiah 53. How is it fulfilled in this section?
2. What does the people's desire to see Jesus crucified reveal about their hearts?
3. What can we learn about the Jews when they claim they have "No king but Caesar?"

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How does the torturing of Christ connect to others in our evangelism?
2. What can we learn from Jesus and His responses when we share the gospel?

Christian Living

1. Reflect on the details of the torture Christ endured. What emotions does this produce?
2. How do you guard your heart from becoming like the Jews, who worshipped the things of the world more than God Himself?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 24: JOHN 19:17-42

John 19:17-27- Jesus was taken out of the city and to Golgotha to be crucified. He carried the beam of the cross to be crucified on. The entirety of Jesus' crucifixion is a fulfillment of prophecy. From His garments being split up to His bones not being broken, John points out all of these details. John tells us that he was one of the few at the crucifixion site alongside Mary Magdalene and Mary, the wife of Clopas, and Jesus' mother.

John 19:28-37- As Jesus began to draw His last breath, He cried out, "It is finished." This declaration illustrates the finitude of the work on the cross and that there is truly only one sacrifice. We must understand the cross is not just a physical pain for Jesus, but a spiritual one as well. At the cross, the sinless Son of God became sin on behalf of all who put their faith in Him, that they may truly become righteous. After dying, the guards came by and pierced His side, and we are told that blood and water flood out, which is consistent with the historical record of death for the crucified.

John 19:38-42- After being crucified, a secret disciple was given Jesus' body and was able to bury it. The other followers of Jesus were scattered and scared.

WEEK 24: JOHN 19:17-42

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. What does Jesus mean when He says, "It is finished."?
2. Why is Jesus' sacrifice on the cross efficient and sufficient to cover the sins of all who put their faith in Him?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. Why is it a critical detail that John records that water and blood flowed out when Jesus' side was pierced?
2. How do you explain to others the depth of what Christ endured and accomplished at the cross?

Christian Living

1. Jesus calls us to bear our cross and follow Him. Here, we see Him carrying the cross. What does this teach us about the Christian life?
2. Reflect on the cross and the cost of your sin.
3. Reflect on how you would have felt after watching your teacher and friend be arrested, flogged, and crucified.

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 25: JOHN 20:1-18

John 20:1-10- After Jesus had been buried for three days, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and found the heavy stone rolled away. She immediately told Peter and John, thinking that Jesus' body had been taken. John tells us that he beat Peter in the race to the tomb, and that they both found the tomb empty, except for the burial linens.

John 20:11-18- While Mary was weeping at the tomb, she was confronted by two angels in the tomb, who asked her why she was weeping? After answering that it was because they took away the body, she was then confronted by Jesus, although she did not realize it. This is a common occurrence in the Gospels. The resurrected Jesus appears to His followers, and they do not immediately recognize Him. However, when Jesus calls her name, she immediately acknowledges it is Him, and He sends her to tell the others.

WEEK 25: JOHN 20:1-18

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why is the resurrection so significant?
2. Why do you think Mary's first instinct was to assume that the Jews stole Jesus' body?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How do you share the hope that the resurrection brings to others?
2. What significance is it that the first to tell of the resurrection is a woman? Why would this be a problem in the ancient world?

Christian Living

1. What hope do you have because of the resurrection?
2. Reflect on what it must have been like to have heard that Jesus had risen from the grave for the first time.
3. What does the empty tomb mean for you? What life did you leave in the tomb?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 26: JOHN 20:19-31

John 20:19-23- Even though the disciples had been told that Jesus was raised from the grave, they still were hidden away behind locked doors. However, these locked doors were nothing for the glorified resurrected body of Jesus, for He walked right through them. The disciples assumed it was a ghost, but upon seeing His wounds and talking to Him, they knew that Jesus was raised from the grave. John tells us that Jesus then commissioned them and breathed the Holy Spirit on them, and gave them the power to forgive sins. This power comes through the preaching of the gospel.

John 20:24-29- There was one disciple not present during Jesus' first appearance, and we now know him as Doubting Thomas. Thomas did not immediately believe the others, and he said that he needed to touch the Lord and see Him with His own eyes. John tells us that this experience happened exactly eight days later, and Thomas believed. John also records Jesus' words about those who will believe, who will not see the resurrected Lord. This is the faith we have today. It is not a blind faith, but it is a faith in the testimony of the eyewitnesses and the Lord Jesus Christ Himself.

John 20:30-31- John closes the chapter by telling us that there are more stories about Jesus. We know this to be true because we have three other Gospels.

WEEK 26: JOHN 20:19-31

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Reflect on Jesus' resurrected body. How would you have responded?
2. What message brings salvation to those who hear it?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. How do you explain faith to someone?
2. Reflect on other ways that you might tell someone that the Gospels aren't just a religious text, but biographies of the life of Jesus.

Christian Living

1. Reflect on what it would have been like to be in the room when Jesus showed up.
2. Do you struggle with doubt? How do you go about that?
3. Do you feel like you can express your struggles and questions you may have?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

WEEK 27: JOHN 21:1-25

John 21:1-14- We are not told how much time passed, but after a while, Peter and others went fishing. While fishing, the Lord revealed Himself to them, called them to cast their nets on the right side of the boat so that they could catch more fish. After realizing it was the Lord, Peter jumped from the boat and swam to Jesus on the shore. Shortly after, the others followed Peter with the fish, and Jesus asked them to bring the fish, and they ate breakfast together.

John 21:15 - John records a critical moment for us in his Gospel. All of the Gospels tell us that Peter denied Christ, but in John, we are shown that Jesus restored Peter. Jesus did so by asking him, "Do you love me?" Peter responded yes each time, and at the end, Jesus told him to feed the sheep and warned him of the death that he would face. It is believed that Peter was crucified upside down under Emperor Nero's reign. After providing the warning, Jesus said, "Follow me."

John 21:20-25- After being told that he would suffer, Peter asked what would happen to John, and Jesus aptly responded, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!" John did eventually die on the island of Patmos, but he was not a martyr. He also records for us here that He is most likely the beloved disciple.

WEEK 27: JOHN 21:1-25

DISCUSSION

Theology

1. Why is it an important detail that we see Peter restored by Jesus?
2. What does it mean for us to follow Jesus truly?

Evangelism/Apologetics

1. When Jesus calls the disciples off the boat, He is officially changing their job. They will now be fishers of men. Is God calling you to be a fisher of men and women?
2. From here, the disciples are sent on their mission. What is the mission Jesus is sending you on? Who are the people?

Christian Living

1. Reflect on Peter's excitement to see Jesus on the shore. Are you excited to be in the presence of Christ?
2. Reflect on John's closing verse. How amazing is Christ?
3. Peter was concerned with John. What/Who do you need to stop worrying about and follow Jesus?

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. How did you feed your soul this week?
2. How did you feed your flesh this week?
3. Did you share the faith with anyone this week?
4. How have you been encouraged by another person in this group this week?

GLOSSARY

ASCENSION- AFTER JESUS' RESURRECTION, HE TAUGHT THE DISCIPLES, THEN HE WAS TAKEN UP INTO HEAVEN, WHERE HE IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY.

APOLOGETICS- THE DEFENSE OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH (LOOK AT 1 PETER 3:15).

BLASPHEMY- TO SPEAK ABOUT GOD OR ACT OUT IN A WAY TOWARD THE THINGS OF GOD IN A PROFANE WAY OR A COMMON WAY. NOT TREATING GOD AS HOLY OR SACRED.

I AM STATEMENTS- THERE ARE SEVEN I AM STATEMENTS IN JOHN'S GOSPEL. THESE ATTEST TO JESUS' DEITY AND THE NEED TO BE IN CHRIST TO INHERIT ETERNAL LIFE.

INCARNATE- IN THE FLESH. THIS PERTAINS TO JESUS' INCARNATION, WHICH IS MENTIONED IN JOHN 1. JESUS TOOK ON FLESH TO BECOME A MAN LIKE US. HE IS TRULY MAN AND TRULY GOD.

MESSIAH- THE ANOINTED ONE PROPHESED TO COME AND SAVE GOD'S CHOSEN PEOPLE.

PASSOVER- A CELEBRATORY MEAL THAT WAS DONE ANNUALLY BY THE JEWS TO COMMEMORATE THE EXODUS.

PLAN OF REDEMPTION- THE UNFOLDING OF GOD'S PLAN TO SAVE HIS PEOPLE.

GLOSSARY

REGENERATION- THE ACT IN WHICH GOD GIVES SPIRITUAL LIFE TO THOSE WHO ARE DEAD IN THEIR TRESPASSES AND SINS (EPHESIANS 2:1), SO THAT THEY MAY REPENT AND BELIEVE (JOHN 3:3).

REPENTANCE- THE TURNING FROM SIN TOWARDS JESUS.

RESURRECTION- WHEN JESUS RETURNS ON THE DAY OF THE LORD, WE WILL BE RAISED BODILY LIKE HIM. WE WILL HAVE PHYSICAL BODIES IN THE NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH.

SON OF MAN- MESSIANIC TITLE THAT REFERS BOTH TO JESUS' HUMANITY AND HIS DIVINE AUTHORITY. IT IS A REFERENCE BACK TO THE BOOK OF DANIEL IN THE OLD TESTAMENT.

THE FATHER- THE FIRST PERSON OF THE TRINITY, IS THE SOURCE OF ALL THINGS AND THE PLANNER OF REDEMPTION.

THE HOLY SPIRIT- THE THIRD PERSON OF THE TRINITY. HE GIVES LIFE, SANCTIFIES, TESTIFIES TO OUR ADOPTION, PRAYS WHAT WE KNOW NOT WHAT TO PRAY, AND GLORIFIES THE FATHER AND SON (JOHN 16:14, ROMANS 8:15)

GLOSSARY

THE SABBATH- A HOLY DAY THAT IS TO BE CONSECRATED TO THE LORD AND REST. IN JESUS' TIME, THE PHARISEES BELIEVED YOU WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO DO ANY WORK (GOOD OR BAD).

THE SON- THE SECOND PERSON OF THE TRINITY. HE IS THE ONE SENT TO SAVE SINFUL MAN BY LIVING A PERFECT LIFE, DYING ON THE CROSS, AND BEING RAISED FROM THE GRAVE.

THE TRINITY- THE PERFECT GODHEAD. ONE GOD, THREE PERSONS. ONE ESSENCE, THREE HYPOSTASES.

THEOLOGY- THE STUDY OF GOD.