

ABOUT THE SERIES

So, what do you believe about Jesus?

We all believe something about Him.

A.W. Tozer, a famous American pastor in the mid-1900s declared, "What comes into our minds when we think about Jesus is the most important thing about us."

Whether we realize it or not, the reality is that our beliefs about Jesus impact every aspect of our lives, the inner peace within our souls and our future eternities.

At ACC for 15 weeks this fall (starting Aug. 18), we will journey through The Gospel of John while reflecting on a specific weekly question of belief to help us consider what we believe about Jesus. This is a great opportunity to wrestle with and renew your own belief about Jesus and to invite friends and family to do the same.

"But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." John 20:31

ABOUT THIS JOURNAL

This simple journal is designed for you to mark down what impacts your soul as you journey through The Gospel of John. This book, written by the apostle John, who was part of Jesus' inner circle, emphasizes the divinity of Jesus more than any other Gospel. Meanwhile, because it is so full of theological depth, literary beauty, miraculous signs, and personal encounters, you are going to want a place to record your moments of inspiration and application.

We would suggest you bring it with you to each worship service to take notes and then find sacred space during the week to reflect on the passage, so that you can seal the learning that God has for you.

While there is really no right way to use this journal, the best thing you can do is to give space to God through His Word, so that your faith in Jesus and your willingness to follow the Holy Spirit may grow.



WEEK OF AUGUST 18, 2024

JOHN 1:1-34

THEME(S):

The Word became flesh, Jesus & John the Baptist

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe God came in the flesh as Jesus and ...?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, reveal to me the fullness of who you are.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF AUGUST 25, 2024

JOHN 1:35-2:25

THEME(S):

Disciples, Miracles, Revelation

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe in the miracles of Jesus?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, help me to follow and believe in your signs and words.



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Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

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WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

JOHN 3:1-3:21

THEME(S):

New Birth, Eternal Life

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe in the need to be born again?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, grant me the faith to be born again so I can reflect your image on earth and receive eternal life with you in heaven.



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Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

JOHN 3:22-4:42

THEME(S):

Eternal Life, Living Water, Faith

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus can satisfy you the most?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, satisfy me more than anything else.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

JOHN 4:43-5:47

THEME(S):

Healing, Divine Authority

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus can heal you?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, heal me.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

JOHN 6

THEME(S):

Bread of Life

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus is the bread of life who sustains you?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, help me to come to you for the nourishment of my soul.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

JOHN 7

THEME(S):

Messiah, Living Water, Spirit

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus is the Messiah?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, make it clear to me that you are the Messiah.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF OCTOBER 6, 2024

JOHN 8

THEME(S):

Light, Truth

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus is the Light of Truth in the world?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, be my Light of Truth in the darkness.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF OCTOBER 13, 2024

JOHN 9

THEME(S):

Spiritual Sight & Blindness

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus gives spiritual sight?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, open the eyes of my heart to see your way(s).



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF OCTOBER 20, 2024

JOHN 10

THEME(S):

Good Shepherd, Divine Authority

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus is the Good Shepherd and one with the Father?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, protect and guide me as my Good Shepherd.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF OCTOBER 27, 2024

JOHN 11

THEME(S):

Resurrection, Life

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, increase my belief that you are the Resurrected One who provides eternal life.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3, 2024

JOHN 12

THEME(S):

Kingship, Prediction, God's glory

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe that Jesus is the King of kings?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, rule in my life so I live with and for you more.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10, 2024

JOHN 13

THEME(S):

Servant Leadership, Love, Predictions

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe in Jesus' command to love one another?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, help me to serve and love like you.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

SUM IT UP

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 17, 2024

JOHN 14-16

THEME(S):

Holy Spirit, Abiding in Christ, Peace

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe in Jesus' promise of the Holy Spirit?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER.

Jesus, help me to follow your Spirit.



What are the feelings, observations and/or questions that arise in you?

Which verse in the passage resonates with you the most? Why?

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WEEK OF NOVEMBER 24, 2024

JOHN 17-21

THEME(S):

Unity, Sacrifice, Resurrection, Restoration

BELIEF QUESTION:

Do you believe in Jesus' victory over death?

MESSAGE NOTES:

PRAYER

Jesus, thank you for sacrificing for me. Make me an instrument of unity and a reflection of your glory.



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GOSPEL OF JOHN-SIMPLE SUMMARY

FOCUS:

Jesus is the Son of God

AUTHOR:

John the apostle

AUDIENCE:

Seekers and believers in Christ

WRITTEN:

85-90 AD

SETTING:

Jerusalem after temple destruction

KEY VERSE:

John 20:30-31

CHAPTERS:

1-12 Public Ministry (Signs) 3+ years 13-21 Private ministry (Sermons/Sacrifice) 3 days



SPECIAL FEATURES:

- 8 Miracles
- 9 "I am" statements
- 90% of John is unique to his Gospel
- 15,240 words with only 1,011 of them different

CHAPTERS:

- 1-12 Public Ministry (Signs) 3+ years
- 13-21 Private ministry (Sermons/Sacrifice) 3 days

WORD USAGE:

284 Jesus	42 see	21 seen
127 Father	36 life	18 sign(s)
92 believe	35 Word	17 eternal life
52 Son	33 saw	16 light
46 love	25 water	12 Son of Man
44 Lord	22 truth	5 Son of God

CHAPTERS IN BRIEF AND KEY PASSAGES

1	2
3 SCENES	3 SIGNS
Word, John the Baptist, Wanderers Son of God	Wine, Temple, many more
1:18, 1:29, 1:39	2:11

3	4	5
4 PEOPLE		
Nic@Night Kingdom	Women@Well & Official's Son@Home Identity & Faith	Man@Pool Healing
3:3, 5, 16-17	4:13, 33	5:6

6	7	8
6000+ FED	7 SETS OF ?S	8 SETS OF ?S
I am the Bread of Life Walks on Water	Messiah	Father, I am the Light, I AM Adulterer Forgiven
6:11, 19, 35, 44	7:38	8:5, 12, 58-59



9	10	11
MAN BORN BLIND	PSALM 23 AGAIN	LATE W/LAZARUS
Created for Glory	I am the Good Shepherd & Gate, One with the Father	I am the Resurrection
9:3	10:7, 10, 11, 14, 38	11:4, 25

12	13
TRIUMPHAL ENTRY	LAST SUPPER
The King	The Servant
12:12, 23-24, 47	13:8

14	15	16
FATHER	SON	HOLY SPIRIT
I am the Way, Truth, and Life	I am the Vine	Peace
14:1-2, 6, 20	15:1, 17	16:7, 12-15, 33

CHAPTERS IN BRIEF AND KEY PASSAGES (CONT.)

JESUS' PRAYER
The Compassionate
One

17:15, 17, 22-23

18	19	20
PASSION OF THE CHRIST		
Arrest	Death of Son of God	Resurrection
18:5-8, 36	19:7, 30	20:18, 22, 29, 31

JESUS & PETER

Restoration

21:15, 19

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