

# JOHN

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(John 20:31)*

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➤ *A Thematic Outline:*

- I. The Introduction of the Son of God (1:1-51)
- II. The Revelation of the Son of God to the World (2:1–12:50)
  - *Jesus' Public Ministry*
- III. The Revelation of the Son of God for the Disciples (13:1–17:26)
  - *Jesus' Private Ministry*
- IV. The Passion & Proof of the Son of God for the World (18:1–20:31)
- V. The Epilogue Concerning the Son of God (21:1-25)

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- i. The Prologue (1:1-18)
- II. The Book of Signs (1:19–12:50)
- III. The Book of Glory (13:1–20:31)
- iv. The Epilogue (21:1-25)

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6. Healing the man born blind (9:1-7)
7. Raising Lazarus from the dead (11:1-45)

# *The Seven “I Am” Statements of Jesus in John’s Gospel*

1. The Bread of Life (6:35)
2. The Light of the World (8:12)
3. The Gate/Door for the Sheep (10:7)
4. The Good Shepherd (10:11, 14)
5. The Resurrection & the Life (11:25)
6. The Way, the Truth, the Life (14:6)
7. The True Vine (15:1)



# *The “Cana Cycle”*

## *(John 2–4)*

- *Literary theme:* These three chapters begins & ends with Jesus’ miracles performed in Cana of Galilee.
- *Theological theme:* Jesus is the Divine Messiah who grants life to those who believe in His Word.

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# *The “Festival Cycle”*

## *(John 5–12)*

- *Literary theme:* The sign-miracles and their attendant narratives & discourses in these chapters are set in the context of Jewish festivals.
- *Theological theme:* Jesus is the Life-Giver who fulfills the hopes & joys of the Jewish festivals.
  - *Sub-theme:* There is increasing opposition by the Jewish leadership to the One who grants life.

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# *The Sabbath*

- **The Sabbath: A time of physical & spiritual refreshment (Exod. 20:8-11; 23:12; Deut. 5:12-19)**
- **The Sabbath: A sign of the Mosaic Covenant (Exod. 31:12-18)**
- **By the 1<sup>st</sup> cent., the Sabbath had been perverted and had become a burden for the people (i.e., the Law).**

# *The Passover Miracles of Jesus in John 6*

- The two miracles of Jesus' feeding of the 5,000 & walking on the Sea of Galilee were performed against the backdrop of Israel's Exodus out of Egypt.
- Historically, the Passover was celebrated by the Jews in remembrance of God's deliverance of His people out of Egypt, both physically & spiritually.
- Eschatologically, the Passover was a reminder for the Jews to look expectantly for the Messiah to deliver His people when He comes to establish His kingdom.

# *The Feast of Tabernacles in John 7–10*

- *Historically*, the Feast celebrated God's protection & provision (light & water/rain) in the wilderness (Lev. 23:33-44).
- *Prophetically*, the Feast looked forward to God's provision in the Eschatological Kingdom (Zech. 14:6).
- Jesus is both the Giver of living water & the Light of the world.



# The Setting of John 7

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> year of Jesus' ministry
- 6 months since Jesus' two Passover Miracles in John 6
- Nation of Israel was polarized concerning Jesus
- John 7 opens on an ominous tone—there is talk of murder in the air

“Then Neither Do I  
Condemn You; Go Now and  
Leave Your Life of Sin”

*(John 8:1-12)*

# **“I Was Blind but Now I See”**

## ***(John 9)***

- I. The description of the blind man (vv. 1-2)**
- II. The declaration as the Light of the world (vv. 3-5)**
- III. The demonstration as the Light of the world (vv. 6-7)**
- IV. The debate over the miracle (vv. 8-34)**
- V. The delineation of the miracle (vv. 35-41)**

# Francis Jane Crosby (1820-1915)

**“O what a happy soul am I!  
Although I cannot see,  
I am resolved that in this world,  
Contented I will be.  
How many blessings I enjoy,  
That other people don't.  
To weep and sigh because I'm blind,  
I cannot and I won't!”**

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