

# **JOHN**

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## Scripture Portion Highlighting Key

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Since color conveys information in a way that the mind can readily digest, we have marked this text to maximize the benefit to the quizzer. Below is a description of how the text is marked:

**Unique Words** — words that are verse-unique. That is, words that appear in only one verse are in **bold**.

**People** — people, people phrases, or people groups that would be the answer to “Who” type questions. Examples include “Paul”, “David”, “the wise and the foolish”, “Gentiles” and “everyone who believes”. Some pronouns, like “you” or “they”, have been excluded.

**Deity** — words or phrases describing God. Examples include “the Son of God”, “Christ Jesus”, “the Creator”, “the immortal God”, and “the one man, Jesus Christ”. Because of its large number of occurrences, the word “God” is not highlighted unless it is part of a larger deity phrase.

**Places** — words or phrases that would be the answer to a “Where” type question. Examples include “Rome”, “Jerusalem” and “the hill called the Mount of Olives”.

**Time** — words or phrases that would be the answer to a “When...”, “For how long...” or similar type question. Examples include “beforehand”, “at all times” and “since the creation of the world”.

**Numbers** — words or phrases that would be the answer to a “How many...” or similar type question. An example is “a hundred years”.

**Old Testament Passages** — quotations from an Old Testament source that are typically footnoted in the text. Examples include “The righteous will live by faith” (from Hab. 2:4) and “I have made you a father of many nations.” (from Gen. 17:5).

# John

## *The Word Became Flesh*

**1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup>Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup>In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. <sup>5</sup>The light **shines** in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome<sup>a</sup> it.

<sup>6</sup>There was a man sent from God whose name was John. <sup>7</sup>He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. <sup>8</sup>He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

<sup>9</sup>The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup>He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. <sup>11</sup>He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. <sup>12</sup>Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—<sup>13</sup>children born not of natural **descent**, nor of human **decision** or a **husband's** will, but born of God.

<sup>14</sup>The Word became flesh and made his **dwelling** among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

<sup>15</sup>(John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'") <sup>16</sup>Out of his **fullness** we have all received grace in place of grace already given. <sup>17</sup>For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth

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<sup>a</sup>5 Or understood

came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup>No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and<sup>b</sup> is in **closest relationship** with the Father, has made him known.

### *John the Baptist Denies Being the Messiah*

<sup>19</sup>Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders<sup>c</sup> in Jerusalem sent priests and **Levites** to ask him who he was. <sup>20</sup>He did not **fail** to **confess**, but **confessed freely**, "I am not the Messiah."

<sup>21</sup>They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you **Elijah**?"

He said, "I am not."

"Are you the **Prophet**?"

He answered, "No."

<sup>22</sup>Finally they said, "Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?"

<sup>23</sup>John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, "I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way for the Lord.'"<sup>d</sup>

<sup>24</sup>Now the Pharisees who had been sent <sup>25</sup>questioned him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?"

<sup>26</sup>"I baptize with<sup>e</sup> water," John replied, "but among you stands one you do not know. <sup>27</sup>He is the one who comes after me, the **straps** of whose **sandals** I am not **worthy** to **untie**."

<sup>28</sup>This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

### *John Testifies About Jesus*

<sup>29</sup>The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the **Lamb of God**, who takes away the sin of the world!"

<sup>b</sup>18 Some manuscripts *but the only Son, who*    <sup>c</sup>19 The Greek term traditionally translated *the Jews* (*hoi Ioudaioi*) refers here and elsewhere in John's Gospel to those Jewish leaders who opposed Jesus; also in 5:10, 15, 16; 7:1, 11, 13; 9:22; 18:14, 28, 36; 19:7, 12, 31, 38; 20:19.

<sup>d</sup>23 Isaiah 40:3    <sup>e</sup>26 Or *in*; also in verses 31 and 33 (twice)

<sup>30</sup>This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel."

<sup>32</sup>Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a **dove** and remain on him. <sup>33</sup>And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup>I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."<sup>f</sup>

### *John's Disciples Follow Jesus*

<sup>35</sup>The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. <sup>36</sup>When he saw Jesus **passing** by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!"

<sup>37</sup>When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?"

They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?"

<sup>39</sup>"Come," he replied, "and you will see."

So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon.

<sup>40</sup>Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. <sup>41</sup>The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). <sup>42</sup>And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called **Cephas**" (which, when **translated**, is Peter<sup>g</sup>).

<sup>f</sup>34 See Isaiah 42:1; many manuscripts *is the Son of God*. <sup>g</sup>42 *Cephas* (Aramaic) and *Peter* (Greek) both mean *rock*.