

❑ **DAY 30 – John 14:15-31**

KQ: What do you learn about the Holy Spirit from this passage?

❑ **DAY 31 – John 15:1-27**

KQ: If Christ is the vine and Christians are the branches, what fruit does the Christian produce?

❑ **DAY 32 – John 16:1-33**

KQ: What does Jesus offer us in terms of spiritual resources?

❑ **DAY 33 – John 17:1-26**

KQ: What do you think might be your part in participating in Jesus' work?

❑ **DAY 34 – John 18:1-24**

KQ: What do you make of Peter's behavior and what personal lesson do you draw from it?

❑ **DAY 35 – John 18:25-40**

KQ: What do you make of Pilate's question, "What is truth?" and why do you think he asked it?

❑ **DAY 36 – John 19:1-16**

KQ: What do you think was going on in Pilate's mind?

❑ **DAY 37 – John 19:17-42**

KQ: Jesus dies and "completes" his work. In what ways has Jesus completed his work?

❑ **DAY 38 – John 20:1-31**

KQ: In John 20:30-31, John the author describes the purpose of his book? How does one acquire the life that he has introduced us to?

❑ **DAY 39 – John 21:1-25**

KQ: A very interesting dialogue takes place between Peter and Jesus. What message was Jesus trying to get through to Peter?

❑ **DAY 40 – Review John 11-21**

What permanent effects do think the reading of the Gospel of John has had on your life?

"A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic – on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg – or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God; or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to. C.S. Lewis, British author (1898-1963)

40 days with Jesus's best friend

a Navigators reflective reading guide
for the gospel of John,
a biography of Jesus as told by his best friend

questions by Jim Petersen and Roger Berrington

"I am an historian, I am not a believer, but I must confess as a historian that this penniless preacher from Nazareth is irrevocably the very center of history. Jesus Christ is easily the most dominant figure in all history." H.G. Wells, British author (1866-1946)

"As a child I received instruction both in the Bible and in the Talmud. I am a Jew, but I am enthralled by the luminous figure of the Nazarene....No one can read the Gospels without feeling the actual presence of Jesus. His personality pulsates in every word. No myth is filled with such life." Albert Einstein, physicist and professor (1879-1955)

"Jesus Christ was an extremist for love, truth and goodness." Martin Luther King Jr., American civil rights leader (1929-68)

"But with Christ, we have access in a one-to-one relationship, for, as in the Old Testament, it was more one of worship and awe, a vertical relationship. The New Testament, on the other hand, we look across at a Jesus who looks familiar, horizontal. The combination is what makes the Cross." Bono, Musician, Poet & Activist (1961-present)

"A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act." Mahatma Gandhi, Indian political leader (1869-1948)



❑ **DAY 1 – John 1:1-18**

Key Question: Why did John choose to use word, light and life as ways to introduce Jesus to his readers?

❑ **DAY 2 – John 1:19-34**

KQ: What are the different titles that John uses to describe and introduce Jesus? Why do you think he use so many different ideas?

❑ **DAY 3 – John 1:35-51**

KQ: What prompted the 5 people in this section of the story to believe in and follow Jesus?

❑ **DAY 4 – John 2:1-11**

KQ: What does Jesus attendance & involvement at this wedding tell us about him and his mission?

❑ **DAY 5 – John 2:12-25**

KQ: Why do you suppose Jesus acted the way he did when he cleared the temple?

❑ **DAY 6 – John 3:1-21**

KQ: What do you learn about true faith from Jesus' encounter with Nicodemus?

❑ **DAY 7 – John 3:22-36**

KQ: What do you learn about your relationship with God from ch 3?

❑ **DAY 8 – John 4:1-42**

KQ: What do you think Jesus means by "living water"?

❑ **DAY 9 – John 4:43-54**

Key Question: How do you interpret Jesus' reaction to the royal official's request?

❑ **DAY 10 – John 5:1-15**

KQ: Why does Jesus ask the lame man "Do you want to get well?"

❑ **DAY 11 – John 5:16-47**

KQ: What do you see Jesus as promising in vs. 24? How does someone receive those promises?

❑ **DAY 12 – John 6:1-24**

KQ: What motivates the crowds to follow Jesus?

❑ **DAY 13 – John 6:25-71**

KQ: Why didn't Jesus try to smooth things over when He saw that His followers were offended by what He said?

❑ **DAY 14 – John 7:1-24**

KQ: In what ways did Jesus not measure up to the preconceived ideas of what the Messiah would be like?

❑ **DAY 15 – John 7:25-52**

KQ: Why do you think the religious leaders are so opposed to what Jesus is doing (healing) and teaching?

❑ **DAY 16 – John 8:1-30**

KQ: What do you think it means if Jesus is the "light of the world"?

❑ **DAY 17 – John 8:31-59**

KQ: Why do you think Jesus talks about sin in terms of lies and slavery and not failure or badness?

❑ **DAY 18 – John 9:1-41**

KQ: Which of the main characters in this story can you most identify with – the blind man, Jesus, the religious leaders or the parents? Why?

❑ **DAY 19 – John 10:1-21**

KQ: What do you learn from Jesus' comparison of true leaders and false leaders?

❑ **DAY 20 – John 10:22-42**

KQ: Again, we have the question "Who is this Jesus?" surfacing in this chapter. How would you now answer this question?

❑ **DAY 21 – Review John 1-10**

KQ: What are some new things you have learned to this point about what it means to be a follower of Jesus?

❑ **DAY 22 – John 11:1-44**

KQ: What does the story of Lazarus tell us about what Jesus means when he says "I am the resurrection and the life?"

❑ **DAY 23 – John 11:45-57**

KQ: What was the rationale that Caiaphas used to justify the plan to put Jesus to death?

❑ **DAY 24 – John 12:1-19**

KQ: Why do you think Jesus gave the job of treasurer to the only thief in the group?

❑ **DAY 25 – John 12:20-36**

KQ: What do you learn about Jesus' death from his illustration about the grain of wheat? How did his death bear much fruit?

❑ **DAY 26 – John 12:37-50**

KQ: Why is it that some people cannot believe in Jesus?

❑ **DAY 27 – John 13:1-17**

KQ: What do you think Jesus is trying to teach his disciples by washing their feet?

❑ **DAY 28 – John 13:18-38**

KQ: What do you think it is about the love Jesus describes that makes those who practice it so unique?

❑ **DAY 29 – John 14:1-14**

KQ: What do you observe about "eternal life" from this passage?