

# First Baptist Church – Through the Bible with BibleProject 2026

## The Gospel of John

- What is the purpose of John's Gospel?

### John 1: Introduction

- Why does John begin by describing Jesus as God's *Word*?
- What three claims does John make about Jesus in the introduction?
- What do the seven titles given to Jesus in John 1 tell us about his identity and mission?

### John 2-10: Miraculous Signs and Controversies

- What is the pattern of the stories in this section of John?

#### *John 2-4: Four Jewish Institutions (a wedding, a temple, a rabbi, a sacred well)*

- What does the sign of the wedding wine mean?
- What is Jesus claiming by identifying himself as God's temple?
- What do human beings need beyond more information?
- What does Eternal Life mean?

#### *John 5-10 – Four Jewish Feasts (Sabbath, Passover, Tabernacles, Hanukkah)*

- Why do the leaders start to want to kill Jesus for healing on the Sabbath?
- How does Jesus' claim to be 'bread of life' relate to the Passover story?
- Why do Jesus' claims of being the Light of the World and providing water offend people?
- What are you noticing about Jesus' claims? What different ways do people respond?

### John 11-12: Raising Lazarus

- Why is going to help Lazarus risky for Jesus?
- In what different ways does Jesus raising Lazarus point to his ultimate mission and identity?

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### **John 13-17: Jesus' Final Words**

John 13:

- What does Jesus' act of foot-washing say about God's very nature?
- What is Jesus' Great Command?
- How is the world impacted by our obedience to Jesus' command?

John 14-17: Jesus' Speech & Prayer

- How is Jesus going away going to be a good thing for the disciples?
- Who is the Holy Spirit?
- What is Jesus saying about our responsibility by comparing us to vine branches?
- What will the Spirit do in the lives of disciples?
- What should followers of Jesus expect, and why do we not need to fear?

### **John 18-20: Jesus' Death and Resurrection**

- Why is Jesus saying 'I am' important – which images speak most to you right now?
- Why is the final 'I am' at the moment of his arrest so important? What is he saying about how God is most powerfully revealed?
- Is Jesus a king? How does Jesus redefine our ideas of kingdoms?
- How does Jesus achieve victory?
- What does the resurrection tell us about Jesus?

### **John 21: Epilogue**

- What does this section tell us about discipleship? What is our role?
- How are Peter and John's roles different from each other?