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Jesus' Side Pierced

<sup>30</sup> When Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "**It is finished!**"<sup>31</sup> Then bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

Jesus' Burial

After<sup>q</sup> this, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus—but secretly because of his fear of the Jews—asked Pilate that he might take away His body.<sup>r</sup> Pilate granted him this, since he knew that Jesus had died.<sup>s</sup> So he came down with the body, wrapped it in a linen cloth with the aromatic spices, according to the burial<sup>t</sup> custom of the Jews.<sup>u</sup> There was a garden in the place where He was crucified. A new tomb was in the garden; no one had yet been placed in it.<sup>v</sup> They placed Jesus there because of the Jewish preparation and since the tomb was nearby.

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She saw that the stone<sup>1</sup> had been removed<sup>2</sup> from the tomb.<sup>3</sup> So she ran to tell the one Jesus loved, and to the other disciple,<sup>4</sup> "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb,<sup>5</sup> and we don't know where they have put Him!"

<sup>6</sup> At that, Peter and the other disciple went out, heading for the tomb.<sup>7</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and got to the tomb first.<sup>8</sup> Stooping down, he saw the linen cloths<sup>9</sup> lying there, yet he did not go in.<sup>10</sup> Then, following after, Simon Peter came also. He entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there.<sup>11</sup> The wrapping that had been on His head was not lying with the linen cloths<sup>12</sup>

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The Disciples Commissioned

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<sup>22</sup> Having said this, He showed them His hands and His side.<sup>23</sup> So the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

<sup>24</sup> Jesus said to them again, "**Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me,<sup>25</sup> I also send you.**"<sup>26</sup> After saying this, He breathed on them<sup>27</sup> and said,<sup>28</sup> "Receive the Holy Spirit.<sup>29</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."<sup>30</sup>

Thomas Sees and Believes

<sup>24</sup> But one of the Twelve, Thomas<sup>31</sup> (called "Twin"), was not with them when Jesus came.<sup>32</sup> So the other disciples kept telling him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "If I don't see the mark of the nails in His hands, put my finger into the mark of the nails,<sup>33</sup> and put my hand into His side,<sup>34</sup> I will never believe!"<sup>35</sup>

<sup>36</sup> After eight days His disciples were indoors again, and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them. He said, "**Peace to you!**"<sup>37</sup>

<sup>38</sup> Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and observe My hands. Reach out your hand and put it into My side. Don't be an unbeliever, but a believer."<sup>39</sup>

<sup>40</sup> Thomas responded to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>41</sup> Jesus said, "**Because you have seen Me, you have believed.<sup>42</sup> Those who believe without seeing<sup>43</sup> are blessed.**"

The Purpose of This Gospel

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The Gospel of John

Chapters 7 and 8

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 20:30** Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book;  
**Joh 20:31** but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Purpose of the book

# The Gospel of John

Previously

Miracles:

- turned water into wine
- healed official's son
- healed crippled man at pool
- fed 5000
- walked on water

# The Gospel of John

Previously

## Interactions

- cleared the temple
- conversation with Nicodemus
- woman at the well
- challenged for healing on Sabbath

# The Gospel of John

## Previously

### Claims and teachings

- light came but men loved darkness
- “I who speak to you am he [Messiah]”
- my food is to do my Father's will
- resurrection and judgment
- fulfillment of scripture
- bread of life

# The Gospel of John

## Passovers of Jesus' Ministry

**Joh 2:13** When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

**Joh 5:1** Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for a feast of the Jews. *[Passover?]*

**Joh 6:4** The Jewish Passover Feast was near.

**Joh 12:1** Six days before the Passover, Jesus arrived at Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.

# The Gospel of John

## Chapter 7

- Jesus goes to Jerusalem
- what were people saying
- teaching at the Feast
- responses to the teaching

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:11** Now at the Feast the Jews were watching for him and asking, "Where is that man?"

**Joh 7:12** Among the crowds there was widespread whispering about him. Some said, "He is a good man." Others replied, "No, he deceives the people."

**Joh 7:13** But no one would say anything publicly about him for fear of the Jews.



# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:14** Not until halfway through the Feast did Jesus go up to the temple courts and begin to teach.

**Joh 7:15** The Jews were amazed and asked, "How did this man get such learning without having studied?"

# The Gospel of John

Joh 7:16 Jesus answered, "My teaching is not my own. It comes from him who sent me.

Joh 7:17 If anyone chooses to do God's will, he will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.

His teaching was different from what they were used to

Came from a different source.

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:18** He who speaks on his own does so to gain honor for himself, but he who works for the honor of the one who sent him is a man of truth; there is nothing false about him.

**Joh 7:19** Has not Moses given you the law? Yet not one of you keeps the law. Why are you trying to kill me?"

Contrast between teachings of Jesus and Pharisees

Evidence of their hypocrisy: trying to kill Jesus!

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:20** "You are demon-possessed," the crowd answered. "Who is trying to kill you?"

**Joh 7:21** Jesus said to them, "I did one miracle, and you are all astonished.

**Joh 7:22** Yet, because Moses gave you circumcision (though actually it did not come from Moses, but from the patriarchs), you circumcise a child on the Sabbath.

Reference to healing at Bethesda, on Sabbath

The healing had prompted Jews to want to kill him (John 5:18)

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:25** At that point some of the people of Jerusalem began to ask, "Isn't this the man they are trying to kill?"

**Joh 7:26** Here he is, speaking publicly, and they are not saying a word to him. Have the authorities really concluded that he is the Christ?

**Joh 7:27** But we know where this man is from; when the Christ comes, no one will know where he is from."

Doubters in the crowd

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:28** Then Jesus, still teaching in the temple courts, cried out, "Yes, you know me, and you know where I am from. I am not here on my own, but he who sent me is true. You do not know him, **Joh 7:29** but I know him because I am from him and he sent me." **Joh 7:30** At this they tried to seize him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his time had not yet come. **Joh 7:31** Still, many in the crowd put their faith in him. They said, "When the Christ comes, will he do more miraculous signs than this man?"

Jesus again claims to have come from God

The crowd is divided

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:37** On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink."

**Joh 7:38** Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him."

**Joh 7:39** By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

Another bold claim of Jesus

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:40** On hearing his words, some of the people said, "Surely this man is the Prophet."

**Joh 7:41** Others said, "He is the Christ." Still others asked, "How can the Christ come from Galilee?"

**Joh 7:42** Does not the Scripture say that the Christ will come from David's family and from Bethlehem, the town where David lived?"

**Joh 7:43** Thus the people were divided because of Jesus.

**Joh 7:44** Some wanted to seize him, but no one laid a hand on him.

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**Joh 7:45** Finally the temple guards went back to the chief priests and Pharisees, who asked them, "Why didn't you bring him in?"

**Joh 7:46** "No one ever spoke the way this man does," the guards declared.

The Word became flesh (John 1:14)

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:47** "You mean he has deceived you also?" the Pharisees retorted.

**Joh 7:48** "Has any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed in him?"

**Joh 7:49** No! But this mob that knows nothing of the law—there is a curse on them."

Pharisees reject Jesus

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 7:50** Nicodemus, who had gone to Jesus earlier and who was one of their own number, asked,

**Joh 7:51** "Does our law condemn anyone without first hearing him to find out what he is doing?"

**Joh 7:52** They replied, "Are you from Galilee, too? Look into it, and you will find that a prophet does not come out of Galilee."

Nicodemus objects.

# The Gospel of John

## Chapter 8

- Jesus, Pharisees, and other Jews
- woman caught in adultery
- light of the world
- where Jesus came from
- Abraham's descendants

# The Gospel of John

## The woman caught in adultery

J. W. McGarvey on John 7:53-8:11

This section is wanting in nearly all older manuscripts, but Jerome (A. D. 346-420) says that in his time it was contained in "many Greek and Latin manuscripts," and these must have been as good or better than the best manuscripts we now possess. But whether we regard it as part of John's narrative or not, scholars very generally accept it as a genuine piece of history.

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Early historical references to the incident:

- Papias (70–163 AD, Turkey)
- Didascalia Apostolorum (AD 230, Syria)
- Didymus the Blind (AD 350, Alexandria, Egypt)
- Ambrose (AD 375, Italy)
- Book II, Apostolic Constitutions (AD 380, Syria)
- Latin Vulgate (AD 382-384, Rome)
- Augustine (AD 419, Algeria)

All around the Mediterranean

Earlier Greek manuscripts lacking it almost all come from Egypt

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4<sup>th</sup> century (AD 300-399) evidence supported inclusion

NT Canon of 27 books was just becoming established

- AD 367 (Athanasius Easter letter)
- AD 384 (Jerome, Latin Vulgate)

# The Gospel of John

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Augustine considered the canon to be established  
- *On Christian Doctrine, Book ii, chapter 8 (about A.D. 397)*

And considered John 7:53-8:11 to be part of it  
- *Adulterous Marriages, AD 419*

# The Gospel of John

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Augustine on John 7:53-8:11

"Certain persons of little faith, or rather enemies of the true faith, fearing, I suppose, lest their wives should be given impunity in sinning, removed from their manuscripts the Lord's act of forgiveness toward the adulteress, as if he who had said, Sin no more, had granted permission to sin."

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Increased legalism in 2<sup>nd</sup> century church

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15 "Woman," Jesus said to her, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Supposing He was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you've removed Him, tell me where you've put Him, and I will take Him away."

16 Jesus said, "Mary." Turning around, she said to Him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!"—which means "Teacher."

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- John 7:53-8:11 was included in the authoritative versions for over 1500 years after Jerome.

The same God who guided the formation of the Canon of scripture also guided what was included in those books.





# The Gospel of John

**Joh 8:3** The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group

**Joh 8:4** and said to Jesus, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery. In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?"

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Exposing their hypocrisy.

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**Joh 8:9** At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first, until only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there.

**Joh 8:10** Jesus straightened up and asked her, "**Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?**"

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Unexpected mercy changes lives!

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 8:12** When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Another bold claim: Light of the World

**Joh 8:13** The Pharisees challenged him, "Here you are, appearing as your own witness; your testimony is not valid."

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 8:17** In your own Law it is written that the testimony of two men is valid.

**Joh 8:18** I am one who testifies for myself; my other witness is the Father, who sent me."

Validity of Jesus' testimony



# The Gospel of John

**Joh 8:19** Then they asked him, "Where is your father?" "You do not know me or my Father," Jesus replied. "If you knew me, you would know my Father also."

**Joh 8:20** He spoke these words while teaching in the temple area near the place where the offerings were put. Yet no one seized him, because his time had not yet come.

Pharisees did not know the Father

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More bold claims

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He said, "It is finished!"<sup>v</sup> and bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.<sup>w</sup>

More bold claims

29 His legs broken and that their bodies be taken away.<sup>x</sup> 32 So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first man and of the other one who had been crucified with Him. 33 When they came to Jesus, they did not break His legs since they saw that He was already dead.<sup>y</sup> 34 But one of the soldiers once blood and water<sup>z</sup> came out, and who saw this has testified<sup>aa</sup> so that you also may believe. His testimony is true, and he knows he is telling the truth.<sup>ab</sup> 35 For these things happened so that the Scripture would be fulfilled.<sup>ac</sup> **Not one of His bones will be broken.** 37 Also, another Scripture says: **They will look at the One they pierced.**

### Jesus' Burial

38 After<sup>ad</sup> this, Joseph of Arimathea, who was a disciple of Jesus—but secretly because of his fear of the Jews—asked Pilate that he might remove Jesus' body.<sup>ae</sup> Pilate gave him permission, so he came and took His body away. 39 Nicodemus<sup>af</sup> (who had previously come to Him at night) also came, bringing a mixture of about 75 pounds<sup>ag</sup> of myrrh and aloes. 40 Then they took Jesus' body<sup>ah</sup> and wrapped it in linen cloths<sup>ai</sup> with the aromatic spices, according to the burial<sup>aj</sup> custom of the Jews. 41 There was a garden in the place where He was crucified. A new tomb was in the garden; no one had yet been placed in it. 42 They placed Jesus there because of the Jewish preparation and since the tomb was nearby.

### The Empty Tomb

20 On<sup>ak</sup> the first day of the week<sup>al</sup> •Mary Magdalene<sup>am</sup> came to the tomb<sup>an</sup> early, while it was still dark.

She saw that the stone<sup>ao</sup> had been rolled away.<sup>ap</sup> 2 So she ran to the other disciple, and said to them, "Lord out of the tomb where they

the other disciples were waiting for the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and got to the tomb first. 5 Stopping down, he saw the linen cloths<sup>aq</sup> lying there, yet he did not go in. 6 Then, following him, Simon Peter came also. He entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there. 7 The wrapping in with the linen cloths<sup>ar</sup> was not folded up in a separate place by itself. 8 The other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, then entered the tomb, and believed. 9 For they still did not understand the Scripture<sup>as</sup> that He must rise<sup>at</sup> from the dead. 10 Then the disciples went home again.

### Mary Magdalene Sees the Risen Lord

11 But<sup>au</sup> Mary stood outside facing the tomb,<sup>av</sup> crying. As she was crying, she stooped to look into the tomb. 12 She saw two angels<sup>aw</sup> in white sitting there, one at the head and one at the feet, where Jesus' body<sup>ax</sup> had been lying. 13 They said to her, "•Woman, why are you crying?"

14 Because they've taken away my Lord,<sup>ay</sup> she told them, "and I don't know where they've put Him." 15 Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, though she did not know it was Jesus.<sup>az</sup>

16 •Woman, Jesus said to her, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?"

Supposing He was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you've removed Him, tell me where you've put Him, and I will take Him away."

17 Jesus said, "Mary." Turning around, she said to Him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!"<sup>ba</sup>—which means "Teacher."<sup>bb</sup>

18 "Don't cling to Me," Jesus told her, "for I have not yet ascended<sup>bc</sup> to the Father." But go to My brothers<sup>bd</sup> and tell them that I am ascending to My Father<sup>be</sup> and your Father—to My God<sup>bf</sup> and your God.<sup>bg</sup>

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18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!"<sup>bh</sup> And she told them what He had said to her.

### The Disciples Commissioned

19 In the evening of that first day of the week,<sup>bi</sup> the disciples were gathered together, with the doors locked because of their fear of the Jews. Then Jesus came, stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!"<sup>bj</sup>

20 Having said this, He showed them His hands and His side.<sup>bk</sup> So the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me,<sup>bl</sup> I also send you."<sup>bm</sup> 22 After saying this, He breathed on them<sup>bn</sup> and said,<sup>bo</sup> "Receive the Holy Spirit.<sup>bp</sup> 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."<sup>bq</sup>

### Thomas Sees and Believes

24 But one of the Twelve, Thomas<sup>br</sup> (called "Twin"), was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples kept telling him, "We have seen the Lord!"

26 But he said to them, "If I don't see the mark of the nails in His hands, put my finger into the mark of the nails,<sup>bs</sup> and put my hand into His side,<sup>bt</sup> I will never believe!"<sup>bu</sup>

27 After eight days His disciples were indoors again, and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them. He said, "Peace to you!"

28 Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and observe My hands. Reach out your hand and put it into My side. Don't be an unbeliever, but a believer."<sup>bv</sup>

29 Thomas responded to Him, "My Lord and my God!"

30 Jesus said, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed.<sup>bw</sup> Those who believe without seeing<sup>bx</sup> are blessed."<sup>by</sup>

### The Purpose of This Gospel

31 Jesus performed many other signs<sup>bz</sup> in the presence of His disciples that are not written<sup>ca</sup> in this book.<sup>cb</sup>

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# The Gospel of John

More bold claims

**Joh 8:21** Once more Jesus said to them, "I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go, you cannot come."

They didn't recognize him, so they will die in their sin.

By rejecting him, they were rejecting the Messiah (Psa 118:22)

# The Gospel of John

More bold claims

Joh 8:23 But he continued, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.

From above, not of this world.  
A claim of supernatural origin.

# The Gospel of John

More bold claims

Joh 8:29 The one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases him."

A claim nobody else can make!

# The Gospel of John

Joh 8:30 Even as he spoke, many believed in him.

Joh 8:31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.

Joh 8:32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Jesus called for more than belief

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 8:33** They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?"

**Joh 8:34** Jesus replied, "I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin."

**Joh 8:37** I know you are Abraham's descendants. Yet you are ready to kill me, because you have no room for my word.

The insufficiency of their belief becomes clear

# The Gospel of John

Yet More bold claims

**Joh 8:46** Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me?

**Joh 8:47** He who belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God."

**Joh 8:51** I tell you the truth, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death."



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**Joh 8:48** The Jews answered him, "Aren't we right in saying that you are a Samaritan and demon-possessed?"

**Joh 8:53** Are you greater than our father Abraham? He died, and so did the prophets. Who do you think you are?"

The real issue: Who is Jesus?

# The Gospel of John

**Joh 8:56** Your father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day; he saw it and was glad."

**Joh 8:57** "You are not yet fifty years old," the Jews said to him, "and you have seen Abraham!"

**Joh 8:58** "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"

**Joh 8:59** At this, they picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus hid himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.

**Exo 3:14** God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

# The Gospel of John

## Jesus' claims in chapter 7

“My teaching comes from him who sent me”

“I know him who sent me”

“Where I am going you cannot come”

Streams of living water will flow...

# The Gospel of John

## Responses in chapter 7

Jesus' brothers not really believing

Jewish leaders seeking to kill Jesus

Some said "He is a good man."

Others said "No, he deceives the people."

Many in the crowd put their faith in him.

"No one ever spoke the way this man does."

# The Gospel of John

## Jesus' claims in chapter 8

“I am the light of the world.”

“If you knew me, you would know my father also”

“Where I go, you cannot come.”

“You are from below; I am from above.”

If you do not believe that I am he, you will die in your sins.

“Before Abraham was, I AM”

# The Gospel of John

## Responses in chapter 8

Jewish leaders trying to trap Jesus

“Your testimony is not valid”

“Aren't you a Samaritan and demon-possessed?”

“Who do you think you are?”

They picked up stones to stone him.

# The Gospel of John

Next week

An outstanding miracle

More bold claims about who Jesus is

Many believe

Strong opposition