



GOSPEL OF JOHN

A Small Group Bible Study

CHAPTER 2

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This Bible study is designed for small group study. The small group discussion format for Bible study involves a weekly live discussion of a passage of scripture previously studied individually or with a partner. Ideally, you and your fellow small group members will study and develop answers daily to the six days of study questions, then meet as a group to discuss your answers. Some enjoy working alone to develop their answers, while others such as couples or friends like to work in pairs. At the weekly meetings discussion leaders facilitate the group in answering the questions. The idea is to share insights, explore the Bible together, and benefit from group discussion of biblical principles.

This format is designed to challenge the student to study the Bible on a daily basis, discuss and share insights with others, and learn biblical truths that can be applied in daily life. Daily study can take as little as 15 minutes but is typically 30 minutes. The weekly discussion can easily last an hour, and may easily take 90 minutes or longer with groups that are comfortable or familiar with one another. The facilitator should allow all to share, but keep the group on track and ensure that opinions do not trump the truth of God's Word.

Discussion leaders do not have all the answers and should not be expected to have them – they should be expected to: 1) be knowledgeable on Biblical doctrine; 2) understand how to facilitate group discussion; and 3) know how to say *"I don't know"*. Discussion leaders and students can learn from each other and learn more about the life of Jesus Christ together. It may surprise you how much you can learn from this format. Let me know how it works out for you, I would love to hear from you. God Bless,

Tim Scott

DAY ONE

1. What do we learn about Jewish wedding customs from reading the parables in Matthew 22:1-12 and 25:1-10?

2. Name the disciples of Jesus to this point from Chapter 1 of the Gospel of John.

3. What are some possible meanings for the answer Jesus gave his mother in the Gospel of John Chapter 2 verse 4 when he stated - "mine hour is not yet come"?

DAY TWO

1. From the Gospel of John Chapter 2 verse 11, what can you determine were the 2 results of the miracle Jesus performed at the wedding at Cana?

2. From reading the Gospel of John Chapter 2 verse 16, and Matthew 21:13, what was the reason Jesus drove the people and animals from the temple courts?

3. Compare the reaction of the disciples and the Jewish leaders to Jesus' clearing of the moneychangers and animals.

DAY THREE

1. In response to the Jewish leaders request for a miracle to show authorization for Jesus' clearing of the temple courts, Jesus states: "*Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up*". What do you think is the most remarkable aspect of Jesus response?

2. Where in Scripture is the body of the believer referred to as a temple?

3. In your opinion, why do you think Jesus never explained the reference to himself as the temple?

DAY FOUR

1. What are the 3 things mentioned in the Gospel of John Chapter 2 verse 22 concerning Jesus' disciples that occurred after the resurrection?

2. Read Acts 2:29-32. What Old Testament scripture predicted the resurrection of Jesus?

3. In the Gospel of John Chapter 2 verse 23 we read that Jesus did many miracles while at the Passover Feast in Jerusalem. These miracles are not described, but from the following verses, describe their impact.

John 2:23: _____

John 3:2: _____

John 4:45: _____

DAY FIVE

1. From the Gospel of John Chapter 2 verse 24, what two things did Jesus not do?

2. Again from verse 24, what reasons are given for Jesus decisions?

3. What might Jesus have seen in the people that caused him to not entrust himself to the people of Jerusalem?

DAY SIX

1. What is about your life that Jesus overlooks and loves you anyway?

2. From the first 2 chapters of John, give 2 examples of Jesus' power of knowing things about men without having been revealed to him by men.

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