



SIGN *stories*

Jesus through the eyes of John

“The Gospel of John is complex and beautiful, and it presents us with a similarly complex and beautiful picture of who Jesus is. There are many ways, many lenses, that John uses to show us who Jesus is and what he did throughout his Gospel. During this series we’re going to take a closer look at the miraculous signs that John chose to include in his Gospel and what they reveal about who Jesus is.” – Rev. Andrew Marshall, quoting Pastor Tyler Sant

“For as there are four quarters of the world in which we live, and four universal winds, and as the Church is dispersed over all the earth, and the gospel the pillar and base of the church and the breath of life, so it is natural that it should have four pillars, breathing immortality from every quarter and kindling the life of man anew. Whence it is manifest that the Word, the architect of all things, who sits upon the cherubim and holds all things together, having been manifested to men, has given us the gospel in fourfold form, but held together by one Spirit.”

- Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons

"Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written." John 21:25

⁴⁶ As he traveled through Galilee, he came to Cana, where he had turned the water into wine. There was a government official in nearby Capernaum whose son was very sick. ⁴⁷ When he heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went and begged Jesus to come to Capernaum to heal his son, who was about to die. Jn 4:46-47

⁴⁸ Jesus asked, “Will you never believe in me unless you see miraculous signs and wonders?”

⁴⁹ The official pleaded, “Lord, please come now before my little boy dies.” (Jn. 4:48-49)

⁵⁰ Then Jesus told him, “Go back home. Your son will live!” And the man believed what Jesus said and started home.

⁵¹ While the man was on his way, some of his servants met him with the news that his son was alive and well.

⁵² He asked them when the boy had begun to get better, and they replied, “Yesterday afternoon at one o’clock his fever suddenly disappeared!” ⁵³ Then the father realized that that was the very time Jesus had told him, “Your son will live.” And he and his entire household believed in Jesus. ⁵⁴ This was the second miraculous sign Jesus did in Galilee after coming from Judea.

(Jn. 4:50-54)

“Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written **that you may believe** that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.” (Jn. 20:30-31)

FAITH

TRUST

¹⁶ “For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who **believes [or trusts]** in him will not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ “There is no judgment against anyone who **believes [who trusts]** in him. But anyone who does not believe [**who does not trust]** in him has already been judged for not believing [**trusting]** in God’s one and only Son. (Jn. 3:16–18)

John wrote his Gospel to both evoke our trust in Jesus and confirm our trust in Jesus.

"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect." (Rom. 12:2)

Where have we placed our trust?

How's our trust today?

"God I am done trusting in myself to save me from my sin. I am done trusting my good works to get me to heaven, to earn me eternal life, I know I can't do it. Instead, I'm trusting Jesus, that he is who he says he is, and he will do what he said he'll do, I trusting him, I'm taking him at his word."

¹⁶ I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. ¹⁷ Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. ¹⁸ And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. ¹⁹ May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God. ²⁰ Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. ²¹ Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen. (Eph. 3:16-21)