

# VIA EMMAUS: A CHRIST-CENTERED WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE

**John: Jesus, The Son of God, the Messiah of Israel, The Savior of the World (37)**

## INTRODUCTION

<b>Purpose</b>	<i>These are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (20:31)</i>
<b>Author</b>	John the son of Zebedee, brother of James ( <b>Matt 4:21</b> ) Apostle and Elder who wrote 1-3 John and Revelation and was pillar in Jerusalem ( <b>Gal 2:9</b> ) Disciple whom Jesus loved ( <b>13:23; 19:26; 20:2; 21:20; 21:24-25</b> ) “Son of Thunder” ( <b>Mark 3:17; Luke 9:51-56</b> )
<b>Date</b>	The last gospel – likely after 70 AD – Sea of Tiberias ( <b>cf. 6:1; 21:1</b> ); Peter’s death ( <b>21:19</b> )
<b>Literary</b>	The genre is gospel – what Jesus did, said, and the people’s response, but... More Symbol-laden – contrasts (light/dark, vision/blind, etc); numbers (7 signs, 7 “I AM”) More Supra-historical (1) Before the foundation of the world ( <b>17:24; cf. 17:2, 6, 9</b> ) (2) Inner-Trinitarian speech – prayer ( <b>17</b> ); Father-Son relations ( <b>5:26; 15:26</b> ) (3) Behind the scenes revelation concerning God’s purpose ( <b>3:8; 6:44, 65</b> )

## JESUS THE SON OF GOD\*\*

Jesus is God	1:1–2, 18; 5:17–18; 8:58–59; 10:30–33; 20:28
Jesus is eternal	1:1–2; 8:58; 17:5, 24
Jesus shows divine attributes (e.g. omniscience)	1:48; 2:4, 19, 23–25; 3:14; 4:17–18; 6:70; 8:28; 9:3; 10:15, 17–18; 11:4, 14; 12:24, 32; 13:10–11, 38; 21:18–19
The Father Sends the Son to Do His Will; The Son Perfectly Obeys	3:17, 31–36; 4:34; 5:19–47; 6:35–40, 44; 7:16–18, 28–29; 8:16–18, 26–29; 12:44–50; 13:20; 14:24; 15:21; 16:5; 17:3ff; 20:21
The Trinity is united their works of revelation and redemption	14:17–18, 23, 26; 15:26; 17:4–5; 20:21–22

## JESUS THE MESSIAH OF ISRAEL

Jesus fulfills the festivals.	1:29, 36; 2:14–22; 4:23–24; 8:12; 9:5; 19:14
Witnesses to Jesus testify that he is the Messiah.	John the Baptist (1:7–8, 15, 19, 32, 34; 5:32); The Father (3:11; 5:36–39; 8:18); Jesus (3:32–33; 5:31; 8:4, 18; 18:37); Samaritan Woman (4:39); Moses (5:39–47); Abraham (8:56–58); The Works of Christ (5:36; 10:25); Isaiah (12:41); The Holy Spirit (15:26–27; 16:13–14); Roman Soldier ? (19:34–35); John the Apostle (21:24)
Jesus is the Messiah and the Son of God.	1:36, 41, 49; 3:18; 4:25, 29; 5:25; 7:26, 27, 31, 41, 42; 9:22; 10:24, 36; 11:4, 27; 12:34; 19:7; 20:30–31

## JESUS THE SAVIOR OF THE WORLD

Jesus' death is the basis of salvation.	1:29; 3:14–15; 6:51–58; 10:15; 11:50–52; 12:24; 15:13
Salvation is by faith alone.	1:12; 3:15, 16; 5:24; 6:29, 35; 8:24; 11:25–27, 42; 12:44; 17:8, 21; 20:31
God is sovereign in salvation.	3:21; 5:21; 6:37–45, 64–65; 10:16, 26–30; 15:16; 17:2, 6, 9

\*\* Charts adapted from the *ESV Study Bible*, pp. 2016.

## OUTLINE

### 1. Prologue: The Incarnate Word (1:1-18)

The Deity of the Word (1:1-5)

The Humanity of the Word (1:6-18)

### 2. The Signs of the Messiah (1:19-12:50)

Jesus Ministry begins in Galilee 1:19-2:11

John's testimony (1:19-34) – *John's ministry prepares the way for Jesus*

Jesus first disciples (1:35-51) – *Andrew, Peter, Philip, and Nathanael*

**Sign # 1** – Turning Water into Wine (2:1-11) – *A New Age has come (cf. Amos 9)*

Jesus' ministry in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and to Gentiles (2:12-4:54)

**Sign # 2** – Cleansing the Temple (2:12-17) – *Judgment on the Old Age*

Jesus encounter with Nicodemus (3:1ff) – *The New Birth & John 3:16 in context*

**Sign # 3** – Healing the Nobleman's Son (John 4:46-54)

Mounting Jewish opposition, additional signs, I AM statements begin (5:1-10:42)

**Sign # 4** – Healing the Lame Man (John 5:1-15) – *The Deity of Christ*

**Sign # 5** – Feeding the Multitude (John 6:1-15) – *Jesus, a Prophet like Moses*

**I AM # 1** – The Bread of Life (6:35, 48, 51) – *The Design of Salvation*

**I AM # 2** – The Light of the World (John 8:12; 9:5) – *Seed Warfare (esp. vv. 31-47)*

**Sign # 6** – Healing the Blind Man (John 9) – *God's plan includes our pain*

**I AM # 3** – I am the Door (John 10:7, 9) – *The Exclusivity of the Gospel*

**I AM # 4** – I am the Good Shepherd (10:11, 14) – *The Executer of the Gospel*

The final Passover: the ultimate sign and the aftermath (11:1-12:19)

**Sign # 7** – Raising Lazarus (John 11) – *Culmination of the signs*

**I AM # 5** – The Resurrection and the Life (11:25) – *Anticipates Christ's work*

The approaching Gentiles and the Messiah's rejection by the Jews (12:20-50)

Jesus comes as the Messiah-King, the Son of God (12:12-19)

All the world is coming to Jesus (12:19, 20-26; cf. Isaiah 2:1-5; Micah 4; Zech 8:20-23)

Whoever believes will be saved (12:44-50; cf. Isaiah 45:22)

### 3. The Suffering of the Messiah (13:1-20:31)

Jesus leaves his example and his Holy Spirit (13:1-16:33)

**I AM # 6** – The Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6) – *Only way to God*

**I AM # 7** – The True Vine (15:1-5) – *Jesus disciples will bear fruit*

Jesus High Priestly Prayer (17:1-26) – *Jesus intercedes for those God has given him*

Jesus' arrest, trials, death, and burial (18:1-19:42) – *Jesus death is active not passive (10:17-18)*

Jesus' resurrection, appearances, and sending of his disciples (20:1-29) – *Pentecost? (v. 22-23)*

Purpose statement: Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God (20:30-31)

### 4. Epilogue: The Roles of Peter and of the Disciple Whom Jesus Loved (21:1-25)