

The Gospel of John (#3)

Faith Village Adult Education

June 23rd, 2019 (John 5:1-15)

- 1) What “feast” was taking place in Jerusalem? (Vs. 1) Does it matter that Jesus went to Jerusalem for this purpose or for this time?
- 2) Why do you think Jesus asked this man if he wanted to get well? (Vs. 6) Doesn't that question have an obvious answer?
- 3) Was it by design Jesus healed this man on the Sabbath? Why or why not?
- 4) What could be worse for this man than what he had already endured? (Vs. 14)
- 5) Is it a coincidence *Jesus* finds this man rather than the man finding Him? (Vs. 14)
- 6) What does this lesson teach us about the nature of Jesus? How is that “nature” contrary to how people view Jesus today?

June 30th, 2019 (John 5:16-30)

- 1) What does verse 17 teach us about overcoming a spiritual drought?
- 2) What “greater things” do you think God showed Jesus? (Vs. 20)
- 3) Is Jesus saying God will play no role on the Day of Judgment? (Vs. 22)
- 4) When do we cross over from death to life? (Vs. 24) What does this mean?
- 5) Is there a difference between “believing Him” and “believing in Him” (V. 24)? What is the difference(s)?
- 6) Jesus says He doesn't seek to please Himself, but the Father who sent Him (Vs.30).
 - A. How can we do a better job saying the same about our lives?
 - B. How have we been “sent”?
- 7) How does Jesus handle attacks brought against Him in this passage?

July 7th, 2019 (John 5:31-47)

- 1) Who were the witnesses speaking in Jesus' defense? (Vs. 31-36)
- 2) Why did Jesus use these witnesses in His behalf?
- 3) Why could Jesus make such a bold claim (“you do not have the love of God in your hearts”, Vs. 42) to His listeners?
 - A. Can we make such claims about others if the evidence exists?
 - B. How do we know when the evidence *does* exist?
- 4) How do we make an effort to obtain praise from God? (Vs. 44) When do we know He is praising us?
- 5) Why bring Moses into the picture?
- 6) Why did Jesus tell the Jews that they didn't *believe* what Moses wrote? Weren't they scholars of Moses' Law?
- 7) How does this impact our understanding of what it means to “believe”?

July 14th, 2019 (John 6:1-24)

- 1) John says people followed Jesus because they saw Him perform miraculous signs on the sick (Vs. 2). What does that tell us about people's motivation?
- 2) If Jesus had asked you the question, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" how would you have answered Him?
- 3) Why do you think Jesus told the disciples to have the people sit down?
- 4) What does verse 15 tell us about Jesus' authenticity, humility, and purpose? How does that differ from people's attitude today?
- 5) Why do you think the apostles are only willing to take Jesus into the boat once Jesus clarifies who He is? (Vs. 20-21)
- 6) Why does John record stories like Jesus multiplying bread and walking on water?
- 7) How do these stories influence your life?

July 21st, 2019 (John 6: 25-42)

- 1) According to this lesson, what is the "imperishable bread"? (Vs.27) How do we get it? Can we lose it?
- 2) What does Jesus mean by the "work of God"? (Vs. 29)
- 3) Does the Lord provide *metaphorical* "manna" for us today? How does God continually send us gifts from Heaven? How do we recognize it when He does?
- 4) Doesn't every human being come from heaven, including the Jews that were so angry? (Vs. 42) In other words, isn't all life a product of God?

July 28th, 2019 (John 6:43-59)

- 1) Who does God draw to Him? Who doesn't God draw to Him? How do you know? (Vs. 44)
- 2) What about people who listen to God, but don't really *learn*? Can they still come to Jesus? (Vs. 45)
- 3) What does "coming to Jesus" look like?
- 4) Why does Jesus promise His body and blood, even though these spiritual blessings were still months, or even years away?
- 5) What reasons does this lesson provide as to why the Jews had trouble accepting who Jesus was?
- 6) Is there any significance in John telling us that these words were spoken by Jesus in the synagogue of Capernaum? (Vs. 59) Why could this location be so important?
- 7) How would you have reacted if you were in attendance at that synagogue?