

1. Opening Prayer

2. Intro: Structure of Gospel John

a. “I am” (*ego eimi*) 4:26, 6:20, 8:24-28, 58, 13:19, and 18:4-8

“I am the bread of life” (John 6:35, 41, 48, and 51)

“I am the light of the world” (John 8:12)

“I am the door of the sheep” (John 10:7-9)

“I am the good shepherd” (John 10:11-14)

“I am the resurrection and the life” (John 11:25)

“I am the way, the truth, and the life” (John 14:6)

“I am the true vine” (John 15:1-5)

b. New Exodus (Chiastic Structure)

Intro (John 1:1-18)	
Part I (John 1:19-4:3): Proving Jesus John the Baptist (1:19-51) Water into Wine (2:1-12) Cleansing the Temple (2:13-25) Born again through the Spirit (3:1-21) John the Baptist (3:22-4:3)	Part V (12:12-21:25): Proving Jesus Jesus and disciples (20:19-21:25) Mary in the tomb (20:1-18) Jesus’ passion, death, and burial (18:1-19:42) Jesus’ last words (13:1-17:26) Jesus into Jerusalem (12:12-50)
Part II (4:4-6:15): Belief vs. Unbelief Samaritan Woman (4:4-38) Samaritans (4:39-45) King’s servant (4:46-52) Jews (5:1-47) Galileans (6:1-15)	Part IV (6:22-12:11) Jesus with the new Exodus Jesus the life and the resurrection (10:40-12:11) Jesus with the feast of dedication (10:22-39) Jesus the Good Shepherd (9:1-10:21) Jesus with the feast of tabernacles (7:1-8:58) Bread of Life of from Heaven (6:22-72)
Part III (6:16-21) The New Exodus Jesus walked on the sea (6:16-21)	

3. Let Us Read John Ch. 1

4. Discussion

- a. How shall we understand the “Word” in verses 1-5? Or how does the author describe the Word?
- b. Reading verses 1-5, what can we expect in the following chapters of this gospel?
- c. How do you see verse 6 located between verses 1-5 and 7-9?
- d. How shall we understand verses 10-13?
- e. From verse 14, we see the personal pronoun, first person plural. What does it imply? Does it help us to imagine the community of John?
- f. In verse 14, we see those words, “glory” and “grace and truth.” What do they imply?
- g. In verse 25, do you think the Pharisees were bothered by John’s baptism? Why?
- h. We see the phrase “the next day” in verses 29, 35, and 43. Do you think it is written intentionally? If yes, what would be the implication?
- i. What was the purpose of John’s baptism according to verse 31? Does it help you to understand why Jesus was baptized?
- j. Verses 35-42 tell us that Andrew the disciple of John the Baptist became the disciple of Jesus. What does it imply?
- k. What does verse 46 imply?
- l. How come Nathanael confessed to Jesus like verse 49?

5. Closing Prayer