

John 1:19-3:36

I. John's testimony about Jesus (19-34).

A. First testimony (19-28).

1. Denies he is someone special.
2. Just a voice (Is. 40:3).
3. John's baptism with water precedes the baptism of the Spirit.

B. Second testimony (29-34).

1. The Lamb of God.
2. The Spirit descending like a dove.
3. The Son of God.

II. Jesus calls five disciples (35-51).

A. Andrew and (probably) John.

B. Peter.

C. Philip and Nathanael.

III. The first miracle (2:1-12).

A. Book of Signs: 2:1 - 12:50.

B. Seven signs in John (cf. 20:30-31).

C. Purpose: To reveal his glory.

IV. Jesus clears the Temple (13-25).

A. Three Passovers (2:12, 6:4, 11:55).

B. Predicts his death and resurrection.

V. First discourse (3:1-21).

A. Seven discourses in John.

B. Nicodemus.

1. Member of the Sanhedrin.
2. Spoke up for Jesus (7:50).
3. Helped with burial (19:39).

C. Night.

1. Uninterrupted conversation.
2. Symbolic in John.
 - a. Ignorance.
 - b. Realm of evil.

D. Double "Amen."

1. Used only by John.
2. Must be born again.
3. Nicodemus interpreted it as physical birth.

E. Water and Spirit (cf. 1 Jn. 5)

1. Physical birth.
2. Spiritual birth.
3. Jesus expected Nicodemus to know about 2nd birth.
4. The brass serpent (Nu. 21).

F. Summary (16-21).

(“Truth” 25x in John; 7x in the Synoptics.)

VI. John's final witness -- believe (22-36).