

**Scriptures and Doctrine :: wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20****wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20 - posted by hobo63 (), on: 2007/3/26 4:27**

i have been reading john 1 just started and i came up with an idea that would help me once i read a verse i write down w at i think that verse means to me in a note book and i would just luv to c wat u guys think of john chapter 1 with the verse s 1 to 20 but really verse 1vs10 of john so tell me wat u think thx heaps

HOBO63

Re: My understanding of JOHN 1 to 20 - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2007/3/26 10:16

My understanding of

JOHN 1: 1-10

The Spirit Of God was the power of God that spoke all created things into being. The manifestation of the Spirit of God on earth is creation .

The Spirit Of God was the seed God breathed into Adam that produces sons of God who have eternal life and endowed with all that his Heavenly Father has created on earth.

Then came man's fall due to that old serpent, the spirit inside the flesh. Man could not hear The Spirit of God. Man begin to listen to their own inter voice of the flesh that could not hear and was blind to the things pertaining to God. Blindness led them deeper and deeper into spiritual darkness. They became gods unto themselves doing what was right and wrong in their own eyes

But because Abraham believed and trusted God, God promised he would bless him and the whole world and would send His Seed again.

God wrote with His Own Finger what was wrong but without The Spirit of God inside them man could not keep the commandments of a Holy God.

The time between the Old Testament covenant promises God made Abraham and the coming the New Testament Testator there were four hundred years of spiritual darkness. Our Heavenly Father sent the spirit of a prophet of old in the flesh of a man to declare the coming again of the Lord of all creation to the Hebrews but they knew Him not.

The word that is the creative Spirit of God came in a body of flesh that was without sin. A body that contained the Seed that God promised would bless the whole world. The Spirit Our creator the restorer of Son ship eternal life and a better promise to be with Him in Paradise having His Holy Spirit, His Word and Commandments written in our hearts. .

Eddie

P.S I am not good at exsplainning gender questions but I think of man as mankind.

Re: wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20 - posted by psalm1, on: 2007/3/26 10:18

Hi Hobo, My take on this is :John is laying the foundation for his gospel. He reveals Jesus for who he is, Creator. John sets the bar so high it must seem impossible for the to grasp. I like his style. Of course the Holy Spirit is writing through him. I think he is revealing THAT MESSIAH HAS COME. And who he is. This is a powerful declaration of Jesus identity and deity. what is your take?.....David

Re: wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20 - posted by hobo63 (), on: 2007/3/27 4:07

hey im not really sure wat i think of john yet becuae i am having trouble undestanding john so that is why i posted this to c if i could get any help with it so i will understand it better but i really luv john 1vs10 so wat do u think of that verse yeah but i not really sure wat i think of john atm hobo63

Re: Fellowship with John - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2007/3/27 8:10

Reply to atm hobo63

10. He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not.

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You were made by God but if you are unsaved you are missing your main part. The Spirit of God that was in Christ Jesus. If you are saved you are seeking in the same place as all us sons and daughters are seeking our Heavenly Father, that is in His Word the Bible. Ask your Father, Father put your Spirit in me and show me the way Home. Tell me about your self and how long you have been trying to understand John .

Eddie

Re: Fellowship with John - posted by hobo63 (), on: 2007/3/28 1:45

reply to: Tell me about your self and how long you have been trying to understand John.

well eddie i got to hillsong church i have been going to church like for 9 or more years i got to church every friday nite for youth and every sunday nite i am a christian i like aggressive inline(rollerblading) i blade all the time/ i am now tryin to read my bible everyday and i have been reading john since last friday i think but i barely have read my bible since last friday nite my friend helped me get bac into reading it i dont really understand some of the verses of john chapter 1 i think the verses were 1vs4/1vs7/1vs9/1vs13/1vs16/1vs17/1vs18/1vs19/1vs20 and 1vs 21 so yeah there u go thats a bit about me so cya hobo63

Re: Getting to know John - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2007/3/28 6:52

Reply to Hobo 63

Sounds like you are off to a great start Hobo, a friend that encourages you and fellowship at church. Daily Bible study is the key to understanding and getting to know John.

We know that John was a fisherman on the Lake of Galilee and John the Baptist began to preach about the coming of one who would take away the sins of the world.

John the fisherman became a follower of John the Baptist and when our Lord came to be Baptized, John the fisherman

heard John the Baptist say Behold the Lamb of God and John followed after Jesus he and his brother spoke to Jesus our Lord.

Doesn't that sound a lot like how you and I first met our Lord? We were out in the wilderness of sin and spiritual darkness and a disciple of Jesus told us about one that could take away our sins and the shame and the guilt of sinning before our Holy Father. John the Baptist could not lead John the fisherman out of spiritual darkness but he pointed out One who could. Jesus of Nazareth.

Eddie

Re: getting to know john - posted by hobo63 (), on: 2007/3/28 7:20

reply to eddie

wow wat u said was really gud and with wat u said with like the daliy bible study is the key to understanding and getting to know john. would that be with like me reading my bible everyday and like praying and meditading on those verses in john.

yeah i read my bible everyday but i dont really do bible study or is bible study just like reading the bible and praying on it becuase im not really sure.

actully with wat u said about...Doesn't that sound a lot like how you and I first met our Lord? We were out in the wilderness of sin and spiritual darkness... i was out on a christian camp wen i first gave my life to jesus but i have recommitted alot of times over the years since i first gave my life to the lord becuase i have been dealing with alot of different stuff that comes into my life lately thx heaps

hobo63

Re: wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20 - posted by beenblake (), on: 2007/3/28 10:48

JOHN 1 (NIV)

1 In the beginning was the Word,

Where else in the bible does it say "In the beginning?" This verse parallels Genesis 1:1. In Genesis 1:1, it says "In the beginning God created..." The story begins with creation. However, here John begins with the acknowledgment of the Word. Here we see the presence of God's Word before creation. When God created the Heaven's and the earth, God's Word was already present. This means that God did not create His Word. His Word existed with God before time.

and the Word was with God,

The greek word "with" here may be also be translated "to." What this shows us is the submissiveness of the Word to God. God is greater than His Word. This means the Word does everything God desires. The Word obeys God precisely.

and the Word was God.

Here we see the unity between God and His Word. The two are not separate. The Word is the perfect expression of God. The two are so united as one that the Word is God.

This is quite different from humanity. We often will say one thing and mean something else. We do not hold true to our word. The Word of God, however, is always true. The Word expresses God's Will perfectly, and as such, maintains God's authority over heaven and earth. God's Word never changes.

It is important to realize this unique relationship. God and His Word are never separate. Never does God's Word say anything other than what God means.

2 He was with God in the beginning.

When God created the Heavens and the Earth, God's Word was with God. Again, we may also translate this "He was to God..." This means that the Word obeyed God precisely and did everything God desired.

3 Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

God used His Word to create everything. In Genesis, we see this happening. God speaks everything into existence. He says, "Let there be..." and it is. Isaiah 55:11 says, "so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it."

This also establishes the authority of God's Word. The Word of God has been made King over everything. The Word of God achieves God's purposes. This is important. Many people think humanity was created to be the Word of God. However, this is not true. God's Word achieves God's purposes through humanity. This means that we are just a vessel for God's Word to work in and through. However, we are not God's Word.

God's Word has all authority over Heaven and Earth. Whatever comes out of God's mouth is what happens.

4 In him was life, and that life was the light of men.

Again, this shows that humanity was created so that God's Word could use us. For men, God's Word is life. We draw the source of our life and existence from God's Word. This life is the light of men. This means that we shine when the Word of God dwells in us and has complete control over us.

Think of the sun and the moon. The sun gives off light. This light hits the moon and makes it glow in the night sky. The moon cannot produce any light of its own. If the sun does not shine on it, then it is just a big ball of dust. We are the same. If God's Word does not give us life, we are dead. We need God's Word to give us life so that we may shine. If we are separated from God's Word, then we are just a big ball of dust.

5 The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

The darkness does not understand the light. Likewise, anyone who is separated from the Word of God does not understand it. No one can understand the Word of God by mere human intelligence. The light must be revealed.

When we are lost and without Jesus, we cannot understand Him. We have many theories about Him, but we do not know Him in truth. Then, when we are saved, we know Christ. He is revealed to us by the Holy Spirit.

6 There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John.

John the apostle is speaking about John the baptist. John the baptist was sent by God to prepare the way for Jesus.

7 He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe.

John the Baptist came as a witness to testify concerning Jesus, so that through him all men might believe.

8 He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

In our day, it seems obvious that John was not the light. However, in the days of John, He had to clarify that John was simply a witness to the light. There were many different false ideas floating around. Some people believed John was also the light, or even that John was the light.

9 The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.

In Jesus, who came into the world born as a babe, is the true light that gives everlasting life. We may have life through the light He gives.

10 He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.

Jesus came down from Heaven and was born as a man. He lived among us, but the world did not recognize Him as the

one sent from God.

We must remember that Jesus was not part of this world. The prince of this world is Satan. Therefore, when anyone is saved, they may still live in the world, but they are citizens of another world. We belong to Jesus Christ. He is our King. This world does not recognize Jesus as Lord because the Devil is the Lord of this world.

11 He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

All the Jews were God's chosen people. Jesus came to them. However, they did not receive Him. Some would, but not all. The nation did not welcome Him with open arms, but instead demanded a sign that would establish proof. (Matthew 16:1-4)

12 Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God--

We see here that the door was opened to everyone, not only Jews. Because the Jews did not receive Jesus, everyone else was invited. Jesus illustrated this in a parable in Matthew 22:1-14.

The door is open to anyone, however, only those who receive Jesus and believe in His name will become children of God. Only those who believe in Jesus will be born again.

13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Later, in John 3, Jesus will speak about being born again. When we are born again, we are born of God. This does not happen because of human decision or a husband's will. This means that we do not make it happen. We cannot save ourselves. We may cry out to God for salvation, and He may choose to save us.

It is true that we must choose whether or not to receive Jesus. Do not confuse the two. This verse is not saying that we do not have this choice. What this verse establishes is that our being born again is by God's mercy. It is His work. We first call out to God for His mercy. Then He decides whether or not to give His mercy.

14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

This verse establishes that Jesus Christ is the Word of God. It says, "The Word became flesh..." This means that the Word was not flesh and then became flesh. Previously, the Word was not flesh. The Word was not flesh from the beginning, but the Word was God from the beginning.

"...and made His dwelling among us." This is important because when Jesus calls Himself the Son of Man, it means He is completely and totally a man who was born of man. He was incarnated.

The Word could have become flesh. The Word could have just appeared as a human being in the flesh on earth. However, this would have established a certain distance. The Word would have been alien.

Instead, The Word made His dwelling among us. He was born as a human being. He is not alien, He is one of us.

We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Though the Word was one of us, Jesus was also the Son of God. He was both the Son of Man and the Son of God. Jesus came from the Father. He is the "One and Only." He is the only one to have come from the Father. There is one Word of God. There are not many Words. This one Word came forth from the Father full of grace and truth.

15 John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'"

If you read through the birth of Jesus in Luke, you will see that John the baptist was born before Jesus. John's flesh is older. However, John said, "he was before me." John was testifying to the truth, that Jesus is the Son of God. Clearly, everyone could see that Jesus was born of a woman. Many knew His parents. However, would they believe that this man was the Christ? Did He come from God? John the Baptist proclaimed this before Jesus began His ministry.

16 From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.

Salvation comes from the fullness of God's grace in Jesus Christ. We are blessed because of what Christ has done for us.

17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Paul would later show that the law enslaved us because we are sinners. However, Jesus would set us free by His death on the cross. "Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ." This is the good news. Through Jesus Christ we may set free from our slavery to sin.

It is important to note that John first mentions the law before the good news. Before a person may be saved, they must first realize they are sinner. The law was given to show our sin. We know we have sinned because we have transgressed the law. By this, we can say, "I am a sinner." When we come to this point, then the death of Jesus is good news to us. We say, "Ah, yes, there is hope in Jesus." However, if we never realize or see our sin, the cross will seem foolish.

18 No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known.

This verse establishes something important. No one has ever seen God except Jesus. This means that no one knows God or may know God except through Jesus Christ. The only way to God is through Jesus. We may know God because Jesus has made Him known to us.

This is important because God has chosen to make Himself known through His one and only Son, Jesus Christ. This means that Jesus is God. When we see Jesus, we are looking at God. When we hear Jesus, we are hearing God.

I hope this helps,

With love,

Blake

Re: Getting to know John - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2007/3/28 21:08

Reply to Hobo 62

Good evening Hobo and I trust you had a better day and please remember that when we go through trials we come out stronger than before if we lean on our faith and except them as a necessary way to becoming strong men uncompromising in our faith that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose. When we fail we are now Children and no longer strangers but or known of God so we don't hide but ask Our Heavenly Father for givenness as a disciple of Jesus a member of His body..

Hobo we met an a disciple of Christ who had the same gift John the Baptist had, the gift of evangelism.

Hobo read Isaiah chapter 6 and you will find out how the spirit of John the Baptist received the salvation of Jehovah.

Some of the Jews that went out to hear John the Baptist knew that the prophecy of Isaiah was about to be fulfilled and that at Jerusalem and the smaller cities of Judea that were sometimes called the daughters of Jerusalem were about to be judged by their Holy Father and be destroyed.

The ones who believed and came fleeing the Righteous Judgement of our Holy Father as you and I did, excepted the baptism sent from heaven and received Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

But as many as received Emmanuel, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name. Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

Hobo doesn't that sound like what happened to us. God loved us and sent Jesus to give us the power to become a son of God and you and I except Jesus as The Word of God who lives among us and leads God's people. In the Book of John he is witnessing to us that Jesus was full of grace and truth. By faith we excepted The word of God and gave up trying to be excepted for our righteousness and excepted the Gift of Righteous without even a spot of sin the Lamb of God

our Father gave us to take upon Himself our sins and die in our place to fulfill the righteous judgement of death on our sins.

Hobo you are so right the way we receive The Light that is in Christ Jesus's Word is by reading and mediating on the Word of God and giving thanks and praise in the name to our Lord Jesus and by letting your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven .

Hobo our salvation came as a gift but our Light is manifested in the works of our new spirit of Love & Charity.

May the peace of God rest upon us

Eddie

Re: I hope this helps - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2007/3/29 7:28

Reply to Blake

Thanks for the great post. I copied it into a file and may print it out later and share it if you don't object .

Eddie

Re: Bible Study - posted by UniqueWebRev (), on: 2007/3/29 8:25

Hobo63,

When I read the Bible, it's more to get the flavor of certain passages, to put all the pieces together, and see how they sound.

Reading out loud really helps me, though some of the names and places sound pretty weird.

When I do a Bible study, though, I generally get one word, like anger, or pride, or love, and look in the concordance at the back of the bible.

They give you a lot of verses, in order, from Genesis to Revelations, all on where the same word is used, so I can look them up. That really helps me a lot to understand what that one word means, or how to understand a problem that I have .

And after a while, you end up all over the Bible, and it's amazing what you learn.

The main thing is to always read the Bible every day that you can, whether it's a chapter, over and over until you understand it, or word by word, when you want to.

BeenBlake wrote one of the best verse by verse explanations of John that I've read in a long time.

I watch Hillsong on TV - I really wish I could go like you can - really good teaching!

Blessings,

Forrest

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Re:, on: 2007/3/29 19:37

Quote:

rowdy2 wrote:
P.S I am not good at explaining gender questions
but I think of man as mankind.

Hi Rowdy

This is off topic, but since you seem worried at offending some of us ladies :-P ... be easy. the word translated "man" is different in the original language when it means "mankind" from when it means "man", meaning a male. The word for mankind is "anthropos" (where we get "anthropology") and the word for a man is "andros".

So that's OK 8-)

Jeannette

Re: wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20, on: 2007/3/29 19:47

Quote:

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HOB063

Hi Hobo :-D

Its great that you want to study the Bible. Do you have a good study version, with cross references (other verses to look up, connected with the one you are studying), information at the back and a study plan perhaps?

I love your signature "just remeber when your growing up that the world dosent revolve around you it revolves around the sun and have to figure out if you want to be apart of the revolution"

I once asked a young Sunday School class the name of the last book of the Bible. One child put up an eager hand, "REVOLUTIONS!":knockedout:

Its actually Revelation, but maybe he was right - Revelation does describe the Revolution to end all revolutions!!

Blessings

Jeannette

Re: wat do u think of JOHN 1 to 20 - posted by timumstead, on: 2007/3/29 21:02

This chapter is definitely telling us about the deity of Jesus, and setting up for the rest of his story of his ministry on earth

When he came to the earth in the flesh, he was 100% God, and 100% man. He is equal to the Father, yet not the Father . A difficult concept to grasp even after a lifetime of Bible study.

It also tells us that Jesus is the Creator of everything. You will find this backed up in other scripture such as Paul's letter to the Colossians at verse 15. "He (Jesus) is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation, for by him all things were created."

Jesus calling himself the Son of Man deals with more than his human side. It is a reference from the Old Testament to him being the Messiah. He is claiming to be the Messiah. In verse 29 of John 1, John the baptist tells who Jesus is, and his mission on earth. Christ is "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."

At the baptism of Jesus, you see the whole Trinity.

The Father speaks from Heaven, the Spirit descends as a dove, and Jesus is declared to be the Son of God. When John the baptist says that he was told by God that Jesus would baptize with the Holy Spirit, this was a reference to what occurs at salvation. When you trust Jesus as Lord and Savior, the Spirit lives in you, and guides you in your life with Christ. This first occurs to the disciples in John 20:22 when Jesus breaths on the disciples and tells them "Receive the Holy Spirit." It is also a reference to the day of Pentecost recorded in the 2nd chapter of the book of Acts, where the Spirit is poured out in power upon the Apostles as the church gets started and the gospel begins to be spread worldwide.

His equality with God is also in John 8:58 where he tells the Jews "I tell you the truth, before Abraham was born, I Am." With this statement, he confirms his eternal existence, and his deity. He is claiming to be the I Am who spoke to Moses in the burning bush. For proof of this, just look at how the Jews reacted in John 8:59. They tried to stone him for blasphemy.

John the baptist also testifies of this in John 1:15 where he says "He who comes after me has surpassed me, because he was before me."

Starting at verse 10 of John chapter 1, we are told that Jesus came in the flesh, but his own did not receive him. You will see this fulfilled as you continue to read John and get to the crucifixion of Jesus. The people of his day rejected his claims and had him killed.

We are also told in John 1:12 that those who do receive Jesus will be named as children of God. This is about salvation. Through faith in the work accomplished by the death and resurrection of Jesus, we can have fellowship with God, and eternal life with him.

Keep reading John and you will see the beautiful truth laid out about how Christ came to die to gain forgiveness of sins, and his resurrection is proof that the Father accepted his sacrifice. Read Romans 5:10 here. "For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to Him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!"

The complete work of Christ is his death and resurrection. This gains us fellowship with the Father. The first chapter of John sets all these thoughts up, so that you know where the rest of his book is going.

Hope this helps and didn't give you too much to think about. I know I jumped around a bit, but this topic is just so huge. We will never uncover its' full depth in our lifetime. Be thankful of this, and that Christ has come.

Tim

Re: Questions off topic - posted by rowdy2 (), on: 2007/3/30 7:35

Jeannette wrote

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Jeannette I totally don't know what that means, But I like it!

I have formed an opinion of some of the posters on this site as being resolute but fair

Even though I like to paint with a broader brush than some it has to be inside the lines of Biblical truth and I realize that servants of Our Lord like yourself are tireless in their efforts to research, and investigate, until they gleam all the information available.

Each member has different gifts that we are to exercise and I celebrate with you when you point out a statement that I or anyone makes that is not consistent with the Bible and would only object to be compared to something I have no knowledge of and am not quoting from like orthodoxy.

2 Corinthians 10 KJV

12- For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise.

The people I have heard expound upon the House of the Lord that king David wanted to build in the Old Testament was in their opinion built by Solomon king David's son so I feel that is the orthodox understanding of the Bible but they are mistaken.

My understanding is that we are the house that Jesus The Son Of Peace, King of Salem a seed of king David is building to fulfill the prophesy that a son of David would build our Heavenly Father a kingdom and that His (Jesus's) throne would reign forever.

My question that I am asking anyone that can do that type of research. Is that "house" a mansion house or like the House of Orange the monarchy in the Netherlands or is it both?

Eddie