

2. Examine the three times Luke records Jesus speaking on the cross. Only Luke includes these Words from the cross. What comfort do you draw from each of the three? How do they all aid to show the goal of Jesus' life?

3. Had you been one of the Emmaus disciples, what kinds of things would you have remembered hearing from Jesus before his death? How does this account demonstrate that the entire Old Testament centers on Jesus?

4. John's gospel was the last written of the gospel accounts. He takes for granted that his readers would already have access to information in the other gospel accounts. The following things listed are only recorded by John. Pick two and explain the main truth taught and the significance it has for your life.

- Emphasis on Jesus' eternal and divine nature before he took on flesh (1:1-18);
- The wedding at Cana (2:1-11);
- Nicodemus' visit with Jesus (3:1-21);
- Jesus' visit with the woman at the well (4:1-42);
- The healing at the pool Bethesda (5:1-15);
- The healing of the man born blind (9:1-34);
- Jesus is the Good Shepherd (10:1-28);
- Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead (11:1-45);
- Jesus washes his disciples' feet (13:1-17);

5. There are seven great "I am..." statements in John. List them and comment on each:

• 6:35

• 8:12

• 8:58

• 10:11

• 11:25

• 14:6

• 15:1,5

6. John chapters 13-17 were all spoken by Jesus in the upper room on Maundy Thursday evening. What are some of the main themes you see in this very important discourse?

7. What characteristics of John's gospel account do you notice differ from Matthew, Mark, and Luke's accounts? What is "the same"?

8. John's gospel can be divided into two main sections. Chapters 1-12 have been called the "book of signs" and chapters 13-21 the "book of glory." Investigate the following to explain how Jesus' crucifixion is part of his glorification.

- 1:14
- 7:39
- 10:18
- 12:27, 28; 31-33
- 17:1-4
- 19:19-22

Key passages: John 3:16, 20:31 Explain how these are not only the theme of John's account, but the whole Bible.



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CHALLENGE

We'll begin with time for sharing questions and comments on the reading section.

1. Only Luke records the account of *Zacchaeus*. (Lk 19:1-10) What words and actions of Jesus show his grace? What words and actions of Zacchaeus show his response to God's grace? Use Lk 19:10 to summarize Luke's gospel account. Explain how this account and verse 10 can be used to help someone who is spiritually lost.