



**GOSPEL OF JOHN**

**30-DAY READING PLAN**

# WEEK 1

## DAY 1

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 1:1-5

**REFLECT:** Over the next 6 weeks in the Gospel of John, we will learn about who Jesus is and what He came to do. What do I hope to experience during this study? What do I hope to learn about Jesus?

**APPLY:** Write down a list of expectations you have in doing this 30-day study. Put them somewhere noticeable. Keep in mind how God may meet those expectations and how He may work in ways you didn't expect.

**PRAY:** Ask God to reveal anything in your heart that may hinder you from growing closer to Him during the next 6 weeks. Also, ask Him to give you the boldness to be open with your Forged/ Refined partners.

## DAY 2

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 1:1-5 again

**REFLECT:** Jesus (the Word) is God and has been since the beginning of time. What comfort does this bring to me?

**APPLY:** The Light shines in the darkness. Where can I be a light in the darkness to the world around me?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to shine His light in a dark area of your life. Pray to be a light in somebody else's life today.

## DAY 3

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 1:6-8

**REFLECT:** John the Baptist was a man sent from God. Could somebody who knows me say that I am a man or woman who was "sent from God"?

**APPLY:** What opportunities do I have this week to represent God to those around me?

**PRAY:** Ask for a specific opportunity to be Jesus to somebody this week (co-worker, family member, etc.)

## DAY 4

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 1:9-13

**REFLECT:** "To all that did receive Him, He gave the right to be children of God." What does it look like for me to be a child of God? What are some of the benefits? What are some of the responsibilities?

**APPLY:** How can I better remind myself of my status as God's son/daughter? What can I do this week to remind my family or a friend of their status as God's children?

**PRAY:** Take time to thank God for the privilege of being part of His family.

## DAY 5

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 1:14-18

**REFLECT:** We all have the tendency to lean toward truth or toward grace in our daily interactions. Jesus is the perfect balance of both. On a typical day, which way do I personally lean?

**APPLY:** This week, how can I balance both to better follow Jesus' model?

**PRAY:** Ask for the wisdom to balance both grace and truth this week. Ask God to reveal any areas in which you are compromising in either area.

## WEEK 2

### DAY 6

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 2:13-17

**REFLECT:** In this passage Jesus is angry, but His anger is righteous as it is directed toward sin. Do I get angry about the same things God would be angry about? Or do I get angry about things that would be trivial to God?

**APPLY:** Is there something in my life Jesus would not be happy with?

**PRAY:** Ask that Jesus would help you to be angry with the things He does not like (sin) and to let go of any anger that is directed toward trivial things.

### DAY 7

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 3:1-8

**REFLECT:** In verse 3, Jesus tells Nicodemus, "unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." What does it mean to be born again? In what ways does my life reflect that I believe in Jesus?

**APPLY:** What can I do this week to better display my belief in Jesus to those around me?

**PRAY:** Thank Jesus for giving us the opportunity to be born again. Ask Him to show you where you can better display your belief in Him.

### DAY 8

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**CONTEXT:** Nicodemus was a religious man, but Jesus told him religion wouldn't save him. Only being born again - placing faith in Jesus alone - would save his soul.

**READ:** John 3:16-17

**REFLECT:** In which ways do I recognize God's love in my life? In which ways do I recognize God's love for the world?

**APPLY:** What could I do today to show God's love to the people around me?

**PRAY:** Ask for opportunities to show God's love to somebody this week. Take time to thank Jesus that we can have a relationship with Him.

### DAY 9

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**CONTEXT:** Nicodemus was a religious man, but Jesus told him religion wouldn't save him. Only being born again - placing faith in Jesus alone - would save his soul.

**READ:** John 3:18-21

**REFLECT:** What does it mean to really believe in Jesus as the Son of God? Is it just something with my mind? Or is it more?

**APPLY:** Is there any area of darkness that I need to confess to God?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal any unconfessed sin in your life and ask Him to show you how to better live for Him this week.

### DAY 10

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**CONTEXT:** Jesus and John the Baptist are both reaching the same people and that is causing a discussion amongst John's disciples.

**READ:** John 3:25-27

**REFLECT:** John realizes all the good things he receives are gifts from God. Life can be difficult and pushes us to dwell on the negative. What are some things God has given me that I am thankful for today?

**APPLY:** How can I show my thankfulness to somebody around me today?

**PRAY:** Pick 1 or 2 (or more) things you are thankful for and take time thanking Jesus for those things.

# WEEK 3

## DAY 11

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**CONTEXT:** Jesus and John the Baptist are both reaching the same people and that is causing a discussion amongst John's disciples.

**READ:** John 3:28-30

**REFLECT:** John humbled himself and realized Jesus needed to be greater than Him. Do I do the same in my life? Do I view Jesus as greater than myself?

**APPLY:** In my life, where do I need to decrease? Where does Jesus need to increase? (Answer this specifically to various aspects of your life. As a spouse, friend, employee, student, etc.)

**PRAY:** Ask that Jesus would take over each of these aspects from the previous questions. If it helps, physically open up your hands as a sign of surrender.

## DAY 12

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 3:31-36

**REFLECT:** To believe means to obey. Do I believe in Jesus just intellectually? Or do I believe He can save me?

**APPLY:** How can I be obedient today? (Family, work, friendships)

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to strengthen your view of His saving power.

## DAY 13

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 4:7-26

**REFLECT:** In this interaction, Jesus shows a perfect balance of grace and truth. How does Jesus show love and grace in this story? How does he show truth in dealing with her sin?

**APPLY:** How can I better show love and grace to someone who doesn't see God's love for them?

**PRAY:** Balancing grace and truth is very difficult. Ask Jesus to help you with balancing grace and truth this week. Ask Him to bring to mind a difficult situation where this may be required and ask Him for wisdom in that situation.

## DAY 14

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 4:27-29 and 4:39-42

**REFLECT:** How did the Samaritan Woman demonstrate true faith in Jesus? Am I willing to demonstrate my faith in Jesus?

**APPLY:** Who in my life needs to hear the Gospel of Jesus? (This could be your potential disciple or somebody else that God brings to mind)

**PRAY:** Ask God for an opportunity to talk about Jesus with this person.

## DAY 15

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 6:35-40

**REFLECT:** "Jesus is saying, if you have come to me I will not throw you out. The will of my Father is that if I have saved you, on the last day I will redeem you in every way possible." Have I ever felt abandoned by God? What do these verses say about that?

**APPLY:** What comfort does it bring to me knowing that Jesus will not throw me away?

**PRAY:** Thank Jesus that He will not throw You away. Ask for opportunities to share that hope with somebody else this week.

# WEEK 4

## DAY 16

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 7:40-52

**REFLECT:** In this passage, there is division amongst the people as to who Jesus really is. Who do I say that Jesus is? Why do I say that?

**APPLY:** What is at least one area in my life that should be impacted by the knowledge that Jesus is God?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in new ways this week.

## DAY 17

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 9:1-3

**CONTEXT:** In the culture of that day, you got what you deserved (good or bad). If this man was born blind, either he sinned or his parents did. Jesus flips this and says, "this happened so God can work in His life."

**REFLECT:** How can God work for my eternal good AND His own glory?

**APPLY:** What situations am I facing this week that God could use for His glory?

**PRAY:** Ask that God would open your eyes to a current situation in your life in which He wants to work. Ask Him for wisdom and the awareness of His presence in this situation.

## DAY 18

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 10:1-6

**REFLECT:** Satan is the thief and robber. The sheep do not listen to the voice of a stranger. What lies has Satan been feeding me about myself?

**APPLY:** How can I speak God's truth to myself this week? How can I speak God's truth to my family and friends this week?

**PRAY:** If you know of anybody struggling with Satan's lies, pray for that person to see God's truth this week. Ask for opportunities to show love to this person.

## DAY 19

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 10:11-15

**REFLECT:** Jesus is the Good Shepherd that knows the sheep, just as the Father knows Him. We are KNOWN by Jesus! How does this make me feel to know Jesus knows everything about me? (both positive and negative)

**APPLY:** Do I find more comfort or discomfort in knowing this? How should this affect my thoughts and actions?

**PRAY:** If this passage brought you discomfort in any way, confess that sin to God and accept His forgiveness. Thank Jesus that even though He knows even our worst thoughts, He still loves and accepts us if we follow Him.

## DAY 20

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**CONTEXT:** Jesus was close with a man named Lazarus and his sisters. The sisters reached out to Jesus because Lazarus was dying, but Jesus waited until Lazarus died so He could perform a miracle. The sisters confronted Jesus and said, "If you had been here, our brother wouldn't have died." Verses 33-37 show Jesus' reaction to this.

**READ:** John 11:33-37

**REFLECT:** Jesus was sovereign over the death of Lazarus, but he wasn't so far removed that he wasn't affected. He feels the same for us. When I go through difficult times, how do I think Jesus reacts?

**APPLY:** Knowing that Jesus still cares when I face difficult circumstances, how can I be a light to somebody else facing a tough time?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to remind you that He cares for you deeply. Ask for an opportunity to show that kind of care to somebody else this week.

# WEEK 5

## DAY 21

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 13:3-9 and John 13:12-17

**REFLECT:** Even though Jesus had the right to have His feet washed, He showed His humility by serving others. In my life, am I showing humility the way Jesus would want me?

**APPLY:** Who can I serve this week and how will I serve them?

**PRAY:** Ask for opportunities to serve somebody else this week and for the right attitude to do so.

## DAY 22

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 14:18-24

**REFLECT:** Jesus says loving Him is obeying His commandments. Am I loving Jesus by His standard of love? Where in my life am I not loving Jesus well?

**APPLY:** How can I better love Jesus this week? If there is a specific area in which God is convicting me, how can I do better in that area?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to help you love Him better this week by following His commands.

## DAY 23

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 16:4b-15

**REFLECT:** The Holy Spirit is our Helper in our relationship with God. Our spiritual growth isn't something we work out alone, but the Holy Spirit helps us grow closer. How have I seen the Holy Spirit work in a situation in the past to grow me closer?

**APPLY:** What current situation am I facing in which I could use the Holy Spirit's guidance?

**PRAY:** Ask the for the Holy Spirit's guidance in a currently difficult situation. Take time to pray for somebody else who may be facing a difficult situation.

## DAY 24

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 18:1-11, John 18:15-18 & John 18:25-27

**REFLECT:** Peter was ready for a "big fight" (the soldiers) but was completely caught off guard by something small (the servant girl). What big sins do I know I need to avoid? What "small" sins do I need to avoid in my life?

**APPLY:** Is there anything in my life I need to cut out before it becomes a bigger issue?

**PRAY:** Ask God to reveal any "small" areas of temptation that could blossom to disastrous results. Ask for the wisdom to recognize these areas and cut them off before they go further.

## DAY 25

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 19:16-27

**REFLECT:** When Jesus was having His worst day ever, He still made sure His mom was taken care of. In the midst of my own problems, who still needs me to care for them?

**APPLY:** If I know of somebody in need, how can I show care to that person?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to give you His heart for others and for opportunities to show care this week.

# WEEK 6

## DAY 26

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 19:28-37

**REFLECT:** Love is what kept Jesus on the cross. Knowing that Jesus would give his life for me, how does that motivate me to live my life for Him?

**APPLY:** How can this practically play out in my life this week? How can I better live for Him?

**PRAY:** Take a few minutes to thank Jesus for giving His life on the cross. Ask Him to remind you to live in light of His sacrifice this week.

## DAY 27

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**CONTEXT:** Mary Magdalene, a follower of Jesus, came to His tomb and saw it was empty.

**READ:** John 20:11-18 and 1 Corinthians 15:12-22

**REFLECT:** Do I truly believe the resurrection happened? What hope does the resurrection bring me?

**APPLY:** Who do I know that needs the hope of the resurrection? How can I share this hope with this person?

**PRAY:** In 1 Corinthians 15 Paul says if there is no resurrection, our faith is pointless. Take time to thank Jesus that His resurrection IS real and that we can have a real relationship with Him!

## DAY 28

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 20:24-29

**REFLECT:** In what areas of my life am I doubting that Jesus is able to work? Be honest!

**APPLY:** Where have I seen Jesus work in the past in my life? Write or type out how Jesus is working in this situation.

**PRAY:** Take time to thank Jesus for working in your life in the past. Ask Him to make His presence obvious to you in any present or future trials.

## DAY 29

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 21:15-25

**REFLECT:** When Peter heard about how he would die for Jesus, he turned his focus to John. Jesus told him to focus back on Jesus. Where in my life am I too focused on what other people are doing? How can I get back to focusing on what Jesus is doing in MY life?

**APPLY:** What does service (feeding the sheep) look like to me? How can I serve somebody today?

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to help you keep your focus on Him and Him alone. Ask him to show you what true service to Him looks like and to give you opportunities to honor Him this week.

## DAY 30

**PRAY:** Ask Jesus to reveal Himself to you in His word today! Ask Him to slow you down enough to fully comprehend what He is saying.

**READ:** John 1:1-5 (again)

**REFLECT:** What did I expect to get out of this study back in Week 1? Did Jesus reveal Himself to me in a way I didn't expect?

**APPLY:** How can I share what you have learned about Jesus in this study with somebody other than my group or spouse?

**PRAY:** Take time to thank God for how He has worked in your life the past 6 weeks. Ask Him to bring an opportunity to share what you've learned with somebody else. Ask Him to reveal something in His word that you should study next and come up with a plan to do it!