



Identity in Christ

Section 3 Part 2

January 18 – February 8

John 8:1 – 10:42

Psalm 23

NOTE: If you would like to do a modified version of this study, please complete the highlighted questions within this packet

Woman Caught in Adultery

John 8:1-59

Discussion Day January 18th

DAY 1

Read John 8:1-11

The woman caught in adultery

1. What do you think Jesus was doing on the Mount of Olives before He appeared again at the temple?
2. Who brought the woman to Jesus? What was the woman accused of doing? Where was the man who had been with her?
3. When the religious leaders brought her to Jesus, what was their motive?
4. Why do you think Jesus wrote on the ground? What do you think He may have written?
5. How did Jesus respond to the religious leaders and what did He ask them to do?
6. Jesus told the woman to “go and sin no more?” What does this say about Jesus?

DAY 2

Read John 8:12-20

Jesus is the light of the World

1. What does Jesus promise to all who follow Him in verse 12? What does it mean to walk in darkness?
2. Where did Jesus come from and where was He going?
3. Why did the religious leaders fail to recognize Jesus' true identity? (Vs 19)
4. Why was no one able to seize Jesus?
5. What is your relationship to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ?

DAY 3

Read John 8:21-30

Disputes over Jesus

1. What does it mean to be “of this world”? (Vs 23)

2. What does it mean to die in your sins? (Vs 24)

3. Jesus said, “When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he.” (Vs 28) Where else in John’s Gospel does Jesus speak of being lifted up?

4. How do these verses make you thankful for the sacrifice that Jesus made for you personally on the cross?

DAY 4

Read John 8:31-47

1. Jesus told us that if we know the truth, the truth will set us free. What is the truth according to Jesus? 1 Corinthians 2:14, Titus 1-2
2. What has Jesus freed us from? Vs 36, Romans 8:2, Galatians 5:1
3. Who is the father of lies?
4. How are we enabled to hear what God says? (Vs 47)
5. Personal – What sin has God revealed to you this week that is holding you captive, keeping you enslaved?

DAY 5

Read John 8:48-59

1. What is the promise found in Verse 51? How does this encourage you?
2. Who glorifies Jesus? What do you think this means? (Vs 54)
3. How could it be that Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing Jesus' day? Hebrews 11:13
4. What is the significance of Jesus' statement "before Abraham was born, I AM" Exodus 3:14, Deuteronomy 32:39, Isaiah 41:4, 43:10
5. What comfort do you receive knowing that Jesus is the source of all truth and light?

Man Born Blind

John 9:1-41

Discussion Day January 25th

DAY 1

Read John 9:1-7

1. While sin can cause suffering, God uses suffering for other purposes. Can you think of any reason God would allow suffering? Any examples in Scripture?
2. Why do you think the disciples asked Jesus if the blind man or his parent had sinned?
2nd Corinthians 12:7, Galatians 4:13
3. For what greater purpose had this man been born blind? (Vs 3)
4. Why do you think Jesus chose this method of healing? What are some of the other ways that Jesus brought about healing to the sick and demon possessed in the Gospel accounts?
5. What do you learn from this passage about Jesus' power and the importance of obeying His Word?

DAY 2

Read John 9:8-12

1. What did the neighbors say when they saw the man who had been born blind?
2. Why do you think some did not recognize the man?
3. What did the man say about himself? What did he say about Jesus?
4. Are you quick to tell others about Jesus and what He has done for you personally? If not, will you pray with your group and ask the Lord to give you boldness and confidence to share your faith with others?

DAY 3

Read John 9:13-17

1. Why did the people bring the man to the Pharisees?
2. What is the significance of the Sabbath for the Jews? Why do you think that Jesus chose to heal this man on the sabbath? John 5:1-15
3. What were the accusations made by the Pharisees against Jesus? What was the testimony of the man who had been blind?
4. If you were called to testify about what Jesus has done for you, what would you say?
5. How has studying the gospel of John helped you know more about the power and person of Jesus Christ?

DAY 4

Read John 9:18-27

1. Who did the Jews call in to confirm that the man had been born blind? What did they say to the Jewish leaders?
2. Why were they fearful about testifying?
3. What did the Jews think would give glory to God according to verse 24?
4. What did the man say that Jesus had done for him in verse 25?
5. Will you come to Jesus and receive the healing and forgiveness He offers and experience true spiritual sight for the very first time?

DAY 5

Read John 9:28-41

1. What impressed you about this man's testimony before the religious elite of his day?
2. What did the Jewish leaders do to the man after he testified?
3. Jesus asked the man if he believed in the Son of Man. What was the man's response?
4. Jesus pronounced judgment on the spiritually blind. What does it mean to be spiritually blind? How has God opened your eyes to the truth of who He is?
5. What attribute of God will you rest in this week?

The Good Shepherd

John 10:1-42

Discussion Day February 1st

DAY 1

Read John 10:1-10

1. Who is the Shepherd of the sheep? (Vs 2)

2. Who are the ones that know the Shepherd's voice and follow Him? Who or what are you following?

3. What does Jesus mean when He says, "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture?" (Vs 9)

4. What is the life that Jesus offers? Are you experiencing that kind of life?

5. In contrast to the Good Shepherd, what does the thief come to do? Who is the “thief” of vs. 10?

6. Jesus declares Himself to be the Good Shepherd. Where else in Scripture does God describe Himself as a Shepherd?

DAY 2

Read John 10:11-21

1. What does the good shepherd do for the sheep?
2. What is the difference between the good Shepherd and the hired hand according to verse 12 and 13?
3. How do you receive comfort knowing that the Good Shepherd knows you and lays down His life for you?
4. Who are the “other sheep” as referenced in verse 16?

DAY 3

Read John 10:22-30

1. What did Jesus say to those who didn't believe in Him? Why didn't they believe?

2. What does it mean to you that believers can never be snatched out of Jesus hands?

3. Jesus boldly declares, "I and the Father are one". What does this statement mean? Read John 1:1-5 and John 14:9-11

DAY 4

Read John 10:31-42

1. The religious leaders opposed the teachings and claims of Christ. How did He face their opposition?
2. How do you respond to those who oppose the Gospel and the cause of Christ in the world?
3. What does it mean that “the Scripture cannot be broken?”
4. What happened after Jesus proclaimed, “The Father is in me and I am in the Father”?
(Vs 38-39)

DAY 5

Read John 10:1-42

How has Jesus revealed to you that He is God? What comfort do you have in knowing this truth?

Resting in the Good Shepherd

Psalm 23

Discussion Day February 8th

DAY 1

Read Psalm 23:1-3

1. What hope do you receive knowing that Jesus is your Shepherd? What does a Shepherd do for the flock?
2. What comfort do you get from the fact that “The Good Shepherd” leads us to green pastures and still waters?
3. When and how has the Lord restored your soul?
4. How does the Lord lead us in paths of righteousness for His name’s sake? Give an example from your own life.

DAY 2

Read Psalm 23:4

1. How has God directed you and walked with you through the valley of the shadow of death?
2. What does it mean to “fear no evil” knowing God is with you?
3. In what ways can a “rod and staff” comfort a person?
4. Tell your group about a time when you have experienced God’s protection.

DAY 3

Read Psalm 23:5

1. How does it make you feel to know that God prepares a table in the presence of your enemies? What do you think that would look like?
2. How has God blessed you in your life? Will you proclaim to God that your cup overflows with His kindness and mercy?

DAY 4

Read Psalm 23:6

1. How have you personally seen God display in your life?

a. Goodness

b. Mercy

2. Christians have the hope of heaven. What hope and comfort do you have in knowing that all believers “will dwell in the house of the Lord forever”?