

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

INTRODUCTION

I. THE GOSPEL OF JOHN IS DISTINCT FROM THE SYNOPTICS

A. With Respect To Its Literary Style

1. Simplicity
2. Profundity

B. With Respect to Its Emphasis: A Theology More Than A History

C. With Respect To Its Content

1. Consumed With the Persons Of The Godhead
2. Discourses
3. Selective Emphasis

D. With Respect To Its Demands On The Reader

II. THE GOSPEL OF JOHN WAS PENNED BY THE LAST SURVIVING APOSTLE

A. The Etymology Of John's Name Carries One Of The Major Messages Of The Book: "God Is Gracious"

B. John And Jesus May Have Been First Cousins

C. John Accepted Christ's Commission To Care For His Mother, Mary

III. THE GOSPEL OF JOHN MAJORS ON CHRIST AS THE ETERNAL WORD OF GOD INCARNATE (SEE OUTLINE ON OTHER SIDE)

IV. THE GOSPEL OF JOHN IS WRITTEN TO PERSUADE MEN OF THE TRUE IDENTITY OF JESUS CHRIST

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GENERAL OUTLINE

I. THE WORD INTRODUCED (1:1-18)

II. THE WORD INCARNATE (1:19 - 21:25)

- A. Revealed To The World Publicly (1 - 12)
- B. Additional Revelation To His Own Privately (13 - 17)
- C. Climax Of The Respective Rejection And Reception Of Christ
 - 1. Rejection (18 - 19)
 - 2. Reception (20 - 21)