

*The True Light Gives Light to All (Overview of John)*  
*Jaunting through John (Message 57)*

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**INTRODUCTION**

**The Prologue as a Preview of Jesus Christ Revealing Himself through the Book**

What is light?

What is darkness?

What does it mean that He gives light to all?

What does it mean for believers?

Illustration 1: Two of John's disciples

Illustration 2: Two of John's disciples: Andrew and John?

Illustration 3: Simon

Illustration 4: Philip

Illustration 5: Nathanael

Illustration 6: Jesus' first group of disciples

What does it mean for unbelievers?

## **The Prologue as an Introduction to the role of John the Baptist**

The prologue's statements about John

John the Baptist in John 1:19–36

John the Baptist in John 3:22–36

## **Jerusalem at Passover (2:13–3:21)**

Reception by the leaders

Reception by many within the crowds

Reception by Nicodemus

**Reception at Sychar (4:1–45)**

Reception by the woman

Reception by the men of Sychar

**Reception by the royal official in Galilee (4:46–54)****Reception by the Pool of Bethesda (5:1–47)**

Reception by the man who had been lame 38 years

Reception by the religious leaders

Jesus' response to the leaders

## Response to the loaves and fishes (6:1–21)

## Response at the Capernaum synagogue (after walking on the water) (6:22–71)

Discerning the point in John when Jesus was at the synagogue

Jesus said these things while teaching at a synagogue in Capernaum (6:59)

Many interpreters think the start of these things is at verse 41, but that is not a good starting point, because Judeans grumble there because of verses 35–38

The best starting point for these things is at 6:22. In other words, the crowds that went looking for Jesus found Him *teaching in a synagogue at Capernaum*.

Clearly, this Capernaum synagogue could not hold 10,000+ people

Those who came by boat had been fed could not figure out how Jesus got there after feeding them

Others present in the synagogue were locals

The response

**Feast of Booths (7:1–10:21)**

Jesus' half-brothers' response (7:1–9)

Days 1–4: Response at the Temple before Jesus appeared (7:10–14)

Days 5–6: Response at the Temple after He appeared (7:15–36)

Day 7 (7:37–8:1)

Day 8a (a sabbath): The woman caught in adultery (8:2–12)

Day 8b (a sabbath): Teaching at the Treasury (8:13–59)

Day 8c (a sabbath): Healing the man born blind (9:1–12)

Day 8d (a sabbath): The formerly blind man before Pharisees at the synagogue (9:13–34)

Day 8e (a sabbath): the blind man sees, but the Pharisees are blind (9:35–41)

Day 8f (a Sabbath): Jesus, the Good Shepherd (10:1–21)

**Response at Hannukah in Jerusalem and in Batanea (10:22–42)**

**Jesus raises Lazarus (11:1–57)**

**Jesus with Lazarus and his family (12:1–11)**

**Skipping forward: The cross and resurrection**

**CONCLUSION**