

Studies in John

Lesson 6

Washing the disciples' feet / The betrayer

1.
 - a) Jesus says again that his hour has come (13:1). Why are we told again that it was Passover?
 - b) Who is working on the heart of Judas? (v2,26)
 - c) Did the disciples understand what Jesus was doing? (v6,7,9,12)
 - d) Why did he do it? (v14-16)
 - e) Notice how often the writer interjects something about the betrayer in the story of the foot-washing.
 - f) Why does the writer tell us that "it was night"? (v30)
 - g) Jesus said they can't go where he's going (v33). Peter asks where he's going (v36). Jesus says that Peter can follow later (v36). Thomas says that they don't know the way (14:5). What further comforting messages does Jesus provide them in chapter 14?

Holy Spirit Discourse (I)

2.
 - a) By what other names is the Holy Spirit called in chapter 14?
 - b) What will the Holy Spirit do?
 - c) In this chapter, Jesus says that his disciples will demonstrate that they love him by what?

True Vine / Persecution

3.
 - a) From chapter 15, name the things Jesus says they are to "abide" in.
 - b) How would they prove that they are disciples?
 - c) How would they prove that they have great love?
 - d) How would they prove that they are the friends of Jesus?
 - e) Why would the world hate them?
 - f) For what two reasons will the persecutors persecute? (15:21; 16:3)
 - f) For what two reasons would they (the persecutors) be guilty of sin? (15:21-25)

Holy Spirit Discourse (II)

4.
 - a) What will he do? (15:26; 16:8,13,14)
 - b) Why was it to the disciples advantage that Jesus go away? (16:7,22)

c) What message is Jesus leaving them with by saying, "I have overcome the world."? (16:33)

The three-fold prayer

5. a) In 17:1-5, whom does Jesus pray for? What does he ask the Father?

b) In the next section (v6-19), whom does he pray for, and what does he request?

c) In the last section (v20-26), whom does he pray for, and what does he request?
6. List, in order, the officials before whom Jesus is brought in chapter 18.
7. What does the statement about Caiaphas in 18:14 refer to?
8. Why don't the Jews enter the governor's headquarters? (18:28)
9. Jesus tells Pilate: "Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." (18:37). Where has Jesus made a similar statement to this already?
10. How many times does Pilate declare the innocence of Jesus?
11. Why do you think that John the writer inserts his "eyewitness statement" at this location in the narrative? (19:35; compare 21:24)
12. What conclusions might we make about Nicodemus at this point in the story? (19:39ff)
13. Compare what Mary called Jesus, when she recognized him, in 20:16, to what John the Baptist and his disciples called him when they acknowledged who he was in 1:39.
14. Compare what Thomas called Jesus, when he saw the proof of his resurrection, in 20:28, to what Nathanael called him when he realized his supernatural powers in 1:49.
15. For what two reasons did John write about these signs? (20:30-31)
16. How many disciples did Jesus appear to at the Sea of Tiberius in chapter 21?
17. What do you think is the purpose of the "do you love me / feed my sheep" conversation that Jesus has with Peter?