

John 1

1. Pray.
2. Who is the Word? (Look at verses 1 & 14)
Notice that John says that the Word “was with God,” but that the Word also “was God.” How can someone be with God, but also be God?
3. Did the Word create everything that is in the Universe? Verse 3
4. Who did God send to bear witness of the Light?
5. Was John “the Light?”
6. In this chapter, Jesus is called “the Word” and “the Light.” What can we learn about Jesus from these titles?
7. John the Baptist came into the world to bear witness of the Light. How can we follow his example?
8. When Jesus came into the world, did the world as a whole receive him (or believe in him)?
9. When people receive Jesus God gives them the power to become what?
10. Is being born into the world the same thing as being born into God’s family? V. 13
11. Verse 14, Jesus was full of what two things?
How can we follow his example?
12. Jesus and John the Baptist were cousins. John was actually older than Jesus, but in verse 15 John said that Jesus was “before me.” How is it that John was older than Jesus, but he said Jesus was before him? (also look at verse 30)
13. Moses gave the Law, but what did Jesus come to bring?
14. Who would you rather have for a Master - Mr. Law, or Mr. Grace & Truth?
15. Has any man ever seen God?
16. How then can we know God in a personal way?
17. In verse 18, when it says that Jesus has “declared” the Father, it means that Jesus “explained” the Father. Later in the book Jesus said, “If you have seen me, you have seen the Father.”
18. When the people asked John who he was, what did he tell them?
Esaias is Isaiah from the Old Testament.
Read Isaiah 40:1-5
19. John felt as though he was not even worthy to stoop down and unlatch Jesus’s sandal. Servants would wash people’s feet. John was saying that he was not even worthy to serve Jesus. He did not think that him and Jesus were like workers on the same team. He saw himself as way, way underneath Jesus. We should be humble like this. Why do you think he felt so unworthy to even serve Jesus?
20. Where was John baptizing people?
21. When John saw Jesus coming to him, what did he call Jesus?
22. Why did he call Jesus that?
23. Verse 33 - John baptized people with water. What does Jesus baptize people with?
How does Jesus do this?
24. What does the word “Rabbi” mean?
25. Messiah and Christ both mean the same thing, but are from different languages. Messiah is Hebrew and Christ is ;Greek. They both mean “anointed one,” or “King.” So when we say that Jesus is “the Messiah” or “the Christ” we are saying that He is God’s ultimate chosen and anointed King.
26. Jesus gave Simon a new name. What was his new name and what does it mean?
27. Where did Jesus see Nathanael?
28. Verse 51 & Jacob’s Ladder

John 2

1. Where was the wedding at?
2. Who was there?
3. The people at the wedding ran out of something. What was it?
4. What did Jesus' mother say to the servants?
5. How can we apply Mary's saying to our lives?
6. Jesus told them to fill up the waterpots. What were they supposed to put in the waterpots?
7. How many waterpots were there?
8. How high did they fill up the waterpots?
9. Who were they supposed to give the water to?
10. What was the water turned into?
11. Do people use good wine or bad wine at the beginning of the feast?

Moses turned the water of the Nile river into blood as a sign of judgment. The Jews believed that when Messiah came he would turn water into wine as a sign of blessing of blessing. So when Jesus did this miracle, he was showing the Jews that he was the Messiah. Like Moses though, the turning of water to wine is also a warning to the people, that if they did not believe in him, they would perish, just like Pharaoh and the other Egyptians who resisted Moses.

12. Where did Jesus go to after the wedding at Cana?
13. Did they spend a lot of time in Capernaum?
14. Where did Jesus go up to when it was time to celebrate the Passover?
15. What did Jesus find in the temple?
16. Who was in the temple with all the animals?
17. What did Jesus do to them?
18. What did he say to the people who were selling doves?
19. Jesus said, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." What temple was he talking about?
20. How long did it take to build the temple in Jerusalem?
21. When did the people believe in his name?

Why was Jesus so mad at the people selling in the Temple? Because they told the people who were coming to worship that the only sacrifices God would accept were the ones that they were selling in the Temple. And what they did was raise the prices of those particular sacrifices so high that many people would not afford them. So they were basically robbing the people who were coming to worship God, and also turing many people away because they didn't have enough money. This would be like us standing at the door of the church and requiring people to pay to come to church. Or like us telling people that if they really want God to hear their prayers, they need to give the church a certain amount of money. This kind of practice should make us angry as well. God is free and available to everyone and anyone who will come to Him. Jesus paid everything that needs to be paid for us to approach and know God.

John 3

1. Pray. "God, as I open your Word, please open my heart..."
2. Why do you think Nicodemus came to Jesus at night?
The Pharisees were the most religious people in Israel. They looked very religious outwardly, with expensive and ornate clothing. They were intelligent as well, having studied the Law most of their lives. But Nicodemus knew that Jesus had something that his education and religion couldn't give him.
3. What did Jesus tell Nicodemus needed to happen to him if he wanted to see the kingdom of God?
4. Isn't it silly that Nicodemus asked Jesus if you have to go into your mother's womb and be born again. To the Pharisees, knowing God was all about things we can do, instead of having faith in God.
5. Jesus said we have to be born by what two things?
What are those two things?
6. Do you remember the story of when Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness? Read Numbers 21:4-9
7. How was Jesus lifted up (like how Moses lifted up the serpent)?
8. What do we have to do to inherit eternal life, according to verse 16?
9. Did the Father send Jesus into the world to condemn the world?
10. When people are doing wrong, which do they love better - darkness or light?
11. Why?
One of the ways we know that we are truly saved is if we love the light rather than the darkness. True Christians have a desire to be just as well behaved when they are alone as they are when other people are around. This is because they love God and know that He always sees them. Are you a different person when you are alone that when you are in front of people? If so, ask God to help you to not be like that.
12. What was Jesus doing in the land of Judaea (Judah)?
13. What were John's disciples and the Jews discussing?
14. Did John the Baptist ever claim to be the Messiah?
15. A ___ can _____ nothing, except it be _____ him from _____.
16. John said, "He (Jesus) must increase, but I must decrease." What do you think he means?
17. How can we apply that to our lives?
18. How much of God's will has he committed to the Son, to Jesus?
19. Notice how clear the teaching of the Bible is here: "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."
20. According to that verse, who goes to heaven?
21. Who does not go to heaven?
22. What stuck out to you most in this chapter?

John 4

1. Pray. "God, I am so small compared to you. I understand so little. Please help me to become more like you, and to think the way that you think. Team me your way."
2. Where did Jesus sit on a well? What city?
3. Did Jesus ever get tired?

Do you remember when Israel was divided in the times of the kings? Samaria was the capital of the north and Jerusalem of the south. When the northern kingdom and the southern kingdom were judged, they were both carried off into foreign countries. The Samaritans began to get married to people from other nations. The southern kingdom (or the Jews) didn't do that really. All that to say that the Samaritans were like half Jewish and half something else. This caused the Jews to despise the Samaritans. They were unclean traitors. Another way to put it was that they were racist. Jesus didn't care about that though - He came to bring salvation to everyone!

4. Do you think being your skin color or nationality make you better than anyone else?
5. What kind of water did Jesus tell the woman he could give her?
6. Notice how Jesus first told her about the living water, then he told her to go find her husband. Why did he tell her to first go find her husband? Jesus was trying to show her that her real need in life was not water, but forgiveness. Her real problem was spiritual, not physical.
7. How many husbands had the woman had?
8. "...the _____ worshippers shall worship the Father in _____ and in _____: for the Father seeketh such to _____ him. God is a _____: and they that worship him must worship him in _____ and in _____."
God is not found in certain locations more than others. He is found when people sincerely seek Him with their whole hearts.
9. "The Father seeketh such to worship Him." God is looking for people to worship Him. Do you worship God? How do you worship God?
10. The disciples tried to get Jesus to eat meat (food), but he said that he had already eaten. What was Jesus's meat (food)? Verse 34
11. How long did Jesus stay there?
12. Did many people there believe in Jesus?
13. What did the Nobleman want Jesus to do for him?
14. Did the Nobleman need to see signs and wonders in order to believe that Jesus had the power to heal his son?

I wonder if the Nobleman had gone to the doctors. He probably had and they could not help his son. Jesus can do for us what man cannot do. We should never forget to ask God to solve our problems for us when they arise. Often we try to do everything ourselves, or to ask other people that we think can help us, when we should always ask God first.

15. Jesus could have done anything with his time, but so far in the Gospel of John what do we see Jesus spending most of his time doing?
How can you imitate Jesus in the way you spend your time?
16. How is God speaking to your heart today?

I love you very, very, very much! Thank you for cheerfully doing these studies. I hope that you learn a lot and become a great teacher of others about God and His ways.

John 5

1. What was the name of the pool by the sheep market?
2. Look up the word “impotent” in a dictionary and copy the definition.
3. Why were there a bunch of sick and diseased people always crowded around this pool?
4. The guy that Jesus healed: how long did he have his infirmity for?
5. Imagine someone like Tom Wise - with all of the pain he goes through - in one moment, being completely released from it all and completely healed. Wouldn't that be amazing?
6. The man basically said to Jesus, “I don't have anyone to help me,” and “Whenever I try to do something it never works.” Do you ever feel like this? Do you ever feel alone, or like no one understands what you're going through? Who did care about this man? Who was it that helped him in a way that no other person could?
7. What can you learn from this man's story?
8. Why were the Jews so angry at Jesus for healing this man?
9. Over time the Jewish leaders began adding more and more rules to God's Word, until it was impossible for people to keep all the laws. We always get into problems when we add anything to what God says or take away from anything God says. It is important to know the Bible well - because if we don't we might think that God requires of us things when He really doesn't. Or, we might think God does not require of us something when He really does.
10. Who do you think this man felt like he should obey - the Jewish leaders or the one who healed him?
11. Jesus said to the man, “Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee.” This probably means that the reason why the man's body was broken in the first place was because of some kind of sin that he had done. Sin does have consequences. But it is very special that God not only forgives us of our sins, but many times he also even completely takes away the consequences that we rightly deserve...I remember many of the guys in prison who used to faithfully come to our church service. Many of them would testify that a judge had decreased their prison sentence, or just canceled the judgment that they deserved. God is merciful.
12. Did Jesus ever claim to be God? (verse 18)
13. Verse 19 - Jesus basically is saying, “I only do what I see the Father doing?” How can we imitate Jesus in our our lives?
14. Should we honor Jesus just as much as we honor the God the Father?
15. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and _____ on him that sent me, hath _____ life, and shall not come into _____; but is passed from _____ unto _____.
16. Who is the ultimate judge of the world? (be specific)
17. Who will be resurrected to life?
18. Who will be resurrected to damnation?
19. Who did Jesus say was a burning and a shining light?
20. What did Jesus tell the Jews to do in verse 39?
21. What does all of the Scriptures point us to? (verse 39)
22. The Jews had become so concerned about keeping their own traditions, that it caused them to get angry at a man who was healing people and teaching people the truth of the Bible. This can happen today even among Christians. Fellow Christians are not always going to agree about everything, but we must always remember to love them, speak well of them, and be thankful for the good things that they do for Jesus.
23. What do you think is the most important part of this chapter?

John 6:1-21

1. Pray.
2. What is another name for the sea of Galilee?
3. How many *men* were there when Jesus fed the multitudes?
4. How many people do you think were there altogether (including women and children)?
5. How much food did they start to feed everyone with?
6. How much food was left over when everyone was full?
7. What did the men say about Jesus after they saw the miracle?
8. Black Belt Question - There were numerous times when the people tried to make Jesus their king. Why did he always sneak away and avoid them when that happened?
9. Faith. Jesus fed thousands of people with enough food for a few people. There must be times in our life when we attempt to do impossible things. Maybe it will be giving a lot of money to the Lord's work when we don't have much left? Or, trying to learn something new that we thought was impossible for us to do. If you're attempting to do something for God - it is ok to try and fail, but it is wrong to never try because you are afraid to fail.
Is there something in your life that you think God wants you to do, but you have not tried because you think it is impossible?
10. What town did Jesus and his disciples go to the next day?

Read **Mark 6:45-53** and **Matthew 14:22-33** and answer the following questions...

11. Why were the disciples scared when they saw Jesus walking on the water?
12. What did the disciples fail to consider when they got into trouble on the sea?
13. Black Belt - The disciples were afraid. Can you imagine being in the middle of the ocean at night time during a bad storm? When we find ourselves in scary situations, what can we remind ourselves about that can give us comfort?
14. Which disciple walked on the water?
15. Whose idea was it for that disciple to walk on the water?
16. What impossible thing do you hope to accomplish in your life one day?
17. Do you think these stories really happened, or do you think that the disciples kinda made them up to make Jesus seem amazing?
18. B.B - If they truly did happen just like it says - how should knowing these things determine the way that you live?
19. "Father, thank you for my three precious daughters. They are all beautiful, funny, sweet and awesome. We do not deserve to have them as our children. I pray that each of them would be the happiest children in the world and that they would be protected from everything that would harm them in any way. Make them wise in their minds and heart and healthy in their bodies. Help them to discover what you have placed them on the earth to do, something that they deeply love to do. Give them joyfulness and a servant's heart as they do their responsibilities. Help them to love each other and treat each other as you treat us. Help their parents to be the best parents in the world. Show us how we can serve you together as a family. Amen."

John 6:22-71

1. Pray.
2. Why were the people so eagerly seeking after Jesus? Were they seeking him because they knew that he was the Lord or because they wanted some more bread?
3. Should we love God and serve Him only if He does miracles in our lives or simply because He is God and worthy to be loved and obeyed?
4. “_____ not for the _____ which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto _____ life.” In other words, use more of your energy and time in life trying to grow spiritually than seeking after worldly or earthly things. Be more concerned about spiritual things than physical things - the physical will perish one day, but the spiritual will last forever.
5. Black Belt - In a practical way, what things can you do to labor for spiritual food? What things would you do that would be considered laboring for earthly things?
6. Verse 29 - What is the work of God?
7. Did Moses give the Israelites the manna in the wilderness?
8. What is the true bread, or the true manna?
9. BB - Jesus is the bread of life. Is he a loaf of bread? If not, What does it mean? Why is he called bread?
10. “I came down from _____, not to do mine own _____, but the _____ of _____ that sent me.” How can we imitate Jesus based on this verse?
11. What do we have to do in order to have everlasting life? (verse 47)
Is there anything else that we have to do?
12. What is the bread that Jesus gave for the life of the world?
13. Do we have to eat Jesus’ flesh and drink his blood in order to be saved? (verse 53)
14. Black Belt - How do we eat his flesh and drink his blood?
15. “It is the _____ that quickeneth (makes alive); the _____ profiteth _____: the _____ that I speak unto you, they are _____, and they are _____.” According to this verse, what gives us life - flesh or spirit?
16. The catholic church believes in what is called “transubstantiation,” which means that they believe that during the Lord’s Supper the bread and wine (or cracker and juice) actually becomes the real flesh and blood of Jesus. When you eat it you are eating Jesus. They teach that unless you take communion in the catholic church you will not be saved. Doesn’t this sound a little bit like cannibalism?
It is clear from this whole passage though, that the way we “eat” Jesus’ flesh and blood is by believing in him. When we eat regular food we are *receiving* it into our bodies. It becomes a part of who we are. When we eat it, we eat it *fully*. So Jesus is simply using a beautiful metaphor. We are supposed to believe in Jesus wholeheartedly. When we hear his teachings we should receive them fully. If we do not receive Jesus and his words with our whole heart then we will not have everlasting life.
17. Have you “eaten Jesus” in this way? Do you want all of Jesus to become one with every part of your life?
18. This teaching was very hard for a lot of people. Even some of Jesus’s disciples stopped following him at this time. When Jesus said to Peter, “Will you also go away?” What did Peter reply to Jesus?

*Well of Water, ever springing! Bread of Life, so rich and free!
Untold wealth that never faileth, my Redeemer is to me.
Hallelujah I have found Him, Whom my soul so long had craved!
Jesus satisfies my longing - through His blood I now am saved!*

John 7

1. Pray.
2. Did Jesus's brothers believe in him?
3. S - Put into your own words what Jesus's brothers were saying to him.
4. S - What did Jesus mean when he said to the, "your time is always ready?"
5. Why did the world hate Jesus?
6. Notice that Jesus didn't just do what his brothers were pressing him to do, but then later he actually went up to the feast - - - We should not do things simply because other people want us to do it. Don't let people pressure you into doing stuff. Sometimes we need to just say "No" to people. Jesus did. We should do what we know God is telling us to do.
7. Why did the people not speak openly about Jesus?
8. Jesus said, "If any man will do his (God's) will, he shall know of the doctrine." You don't have to be super smart in order to know God well. However, you do need to be obedient to him. If we do God's will, he will teach us what we need to know.
9. "He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory." People who talk about themselves a lot are trying to get attention for themselves. When you are in conversations with people, spend more time showing interest in their lives than your own. When you speak to people, look and see if they show more interest in you or in themselves.....If we want to seek the glory of God we will find ourselves speaking about Him a lot.
10. Has anyone actually ever kept the law of Moses?
11. "_____ not according to the _____, but judge _____ judgments."
We should not walk around with pride and always be thinking that we are better than people. We should also be slow to point out other people's faults. However, if something is wrong and hurtful to people we have the right and the duty to say something about it.
If you point out sin and speak against it, some people will say, "We're not supposed to judge people. God is their judge." This verse is a good response to that. Jesus told us to judge. We're just supposed to make sure that our judgments are righteous.
12. When Jesus said that he was going away, where did the Pharisees think he was going to go?
13. What was Jesus actually talking about? Where was he really going?
14. S - Jesus said that whoever believes in him, that they would have rivers of living water flowing out his belly. What is he talking about?
15. Verse 48 "Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed on him?" We should not judge whether something is true or not based on whether other people believe it or not. The religious people did not believe in Jesus - and they were wrong. It is possible that even the smartest people around you are wrong about some things. Seek to believe the truth, even if you are the only one. Don't believe something simply because it is popular.
16. Who spoke up for Jesus to the Pharisees? Verse 50
17. They said that no Pharisee had believed in Jesus. But it seems like already at this point Nicodemus was already beginning to favor him.
18. What stood out to you in this chapter, that you are glad you read today?
19. "Father, help us to be strong and to do your will. Even when other people may not understand, help us to do what is right. Give us the courage to speak the truth - even to people who will probably not like it...Thank you for dying for us. You knew that you were going to suffer, but you did it anyway, because you loved us and cared about our souls. May we have the courage to stand up for you, even if we know it may cause people to not like us. Amen."
20. Try to do something specific today to show kindness to your sisters.
21. I love you! Have a wonderful day today.

John 8

1. Pray.
2. Flip this page over and read the whole chapter first. Then answer the questions.
3. What did the woman do that was wrong?
4. What did the Law of Moses say should happen to her?
5. "He that is without ___ among you, let him _____ cast a _____ at her."
6. Did Jesus condemn her?
7. What did he tell her to do? (verse 11)
8. God is righteous and will punish sinners. But the point of this story is to show that the Pharisees were hypocrites. They dragged this woman out in public, pointing out her sins, and were desiring that she would be stoned to death. But Jesus was showing the Pharisees that each one of them deserved to be judged by God as well...We need to be very slow about pointing out other people's failures, and quick to point out our own. God is merciful, so should we be. If people are in sin we should lovingly, privately confront them and try to help them. Never make it your goal to publicly humiliate people - that is the work of the Devil.
9. BB - can you think of any other times in the Bible where God wrote something with his own fingers?
10. BB - why do you think that when they began to leave, that it went from the eldest unto the youngest?
11. "I am the _____ of the _____: he that followeth me shall not _____ in _____, but shall have the _____ of _____.
12. "If ye _____ in my _____, then are ye my _____ indeed; 32 And ye shall know the _____, and the truth shall make you _____." A disciple is a learner, or follower. You can be a Christian, or a Believer, and not be a Disciple. Disciples *continue* in his Word. Disciples follow Jesus and want to learn more and more about him... Sensei Borbon has karate disciples - they are learning to fight like him. Sensei's goal is for each one of his students to be able to do the moves just like him. Jesus has disciples and his goal is that we would all be just like him. How do we become like Jesus? We must learn his Word - through reading, meditation and prayer. Then we must OBEY what he says. Learn and obey, learn and obey. Then we will become more like him.
13. BB - what does Jesus mean when he says that the truth will make us free?
14. The Pharisees said that Abraham was their father, and God was their father. Who did Jesus say was their father?
15. Who is the father of lies?
16. Jesus said "before Abraham was, I am." The Pharisees were confused about who Jesus was claiming to be. When Jesus said, "I am" he was claiming to be God. Do you remember when Moses was at the burning bush, and he asked God, "What is your name?" God said that his name was "I am." This is why the Jews picked up stones to stone him - because he was claiming to be God.
17. Don't be a Pharisee. It is easy to see other people's faults. If you really want to help them, pray for them and try to lovingly say something to them...Be a disciple - love the Word, learn the Word, and obey the Word.
18. What do you think is the most important part of this chapter?

John 9

1. Pray.
2. Read the whole chapter before answering any questions.
3. Why was the man born blind?
God looks at problems as an opportunity to do a miracle. Do you look at problems or difficulties in your life as judgments or as opportunities to grow?
4. Was he born blind because someone sinned and God was punishing them?
If something bad happens in someone's life it doesn't necessarily mean that they did something wrong. We live in a fallen, corrupted world. Sin, death, decay and evil are simply a part of this world. So we must be careful to not judge people according to the appearance. Job's friends all accused him of being in sin, but they were all wrong and God rebuked them for thinking that. The same thing is true in your own life - just because something bad happened doesn't automatically mean that you did something wrong. If it is result of your sins, God will make sure that you know about it. He doesn't spank you without telling you why He is spanking you.
5. BB - can you think of any significance for why Jesus spit on the ground, made clay and put it on his eyes?
6. What pool was the blind man supposed to wash in?
7. How many people in this chapter asked the man how he received his sight?
8. Why were the Pharisees angry that Jesus healed this man?
9. BB - The Pharisees were always angry at Jesus. Most of the time they said it was because he was breaking some kind of law or custom that the Jews had. But what do you think is the real reason why they hated Jesus so much? (hint - David & Saul)
10. Did the blind man's parents know how he was healed?
11. Why were they not willing to say why he was healed?
We should never be afraid to confess or practice something that we believe in. You cannot please everyone. Don't be a people pleaser. We should love and serve everyone, be kind and gracious and respectful, but if you believe certain things there will be people who will not like you anymore, may not be your friends anymore, and may even hate you for it. If you believe something is true, believe it and confess it.
12. "Whether he be a _____ or no, I know ____: one thing I _____, that, whereas I was _____, now I ____."
13. BB - Why were the Pharisees so convinced that God had spoken to Moses? How was it any different with Jesus?
14. Can very educated men be taught by a homeless person?
One of the greatest abilities to have as a person is to be *teachable*. We must always remain humble and eager to learn. We must not look down on anyone when they are trying to teach us. *Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs in the kingdom of heaven* - spiritual beggars will be taught by God. Pride and being a "know-it-all" is the worst enemy of growing in knowledge. If you "know-it-all" then how can you learn anything?
15. BB - Jesus said, "For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind." What does this mean?
16. We have all been born into the world blind - spiritually blind. It is Jesus and Jesus alone who can give us spiritual sight. He can because he alone died for our sins; he alone rose from the dead; he is God in the flesh - the Creator of the universe! If he has opened our eyes, we should do what this blind man did - worship Jesus with our whole heart!
*Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind - but now I see!*
17. I love you. Have a wonderful day today.

John 10

1. Pray. Then read the whole chapter first.
2. Sheep and their Shepherd have a special relationship. The sheep know their shepherd's voice, will come when the shepherd calls for them, and will follow their shepherd. If someone else calls for them they will not listen. One of the ways we know if we are saved is by whose voice we listen to. Do we listen to the word of God or to other voices?
3. Did the Pharisees understand the parable Jesus was speaking to them?
4. BB - how does the last chapter about being blind and seeing relate to this idea of the sheep hearing the voice of the shepherd or not? (remember, when the bible was written there were no chapter divisions. So both stories were all one event).
5. Who is the door?
6. Why is Jesus called a door?
7. What three does the thief come to do?
8. What two things does Jesus come to do?
9. Who is the good shepherd?
One of the ways we can tell the difference between a genuine spiritual leader and a faker is if the leader is willing to *suffer* for the believers. Jesus and all the apostles suffered very much so that people could hear the gospel and grow as a Christian. Fakers are only there for what they can gain from the church. The genuine leaders are there for what they can give.
10. The wolf scatters the sheep - one thing the devil loves to do is divide Christians, to make them not have sweet, unified relationships together. Always do everything in your power to stay close friends with all Christians. Only separate from them if they are living in sin.
11. BB - Who was Jesus talking about when he said, "other sheep I have, which are not of this fold, them also I must bring..."
12. My _____ hear my _____, and I _____ them, and they _____ me: And I give unto them _____ life; and they shall never _____, neither shall any man _____ them out of my hand.
13. Why did the Jews want to stone Jesus?
14. Did Jesus ever claim to be God?
In the Old Testament, one of the ways God referred to his relationship with the nation of Israel was that of a Shepherd. So when Jesus says here to the people, "I am the good shepherd," this could also be seen as Jesus claiming to be God - the same God as the Old Testament.
15. BB - Are we the Lord's sheep before we get saved, or are we only his sheep after we get saved? Think about it.
16. In your relationship with God, what do you think is the most special part of the Shepherd/Sheep relationship to you?
The Shepherd feeds the sheep, gives them water, leads them, protects them from predators, guides them, finds them when they are lost, spansks them when they are being naughty, quiet's them and makes them lie down when they are sacred, pours oil on them so bugs and flies won't bite them...

John 11

1. Go into a room all by yourself, then set a timer for 5 minutes.
2. Close your eyes and pray for 5 minutes (you may pray longer if you want to). Keep your eyes closed the whole time. Pray about these things...
 - Give thanks to God for all of the good in your life.
 - Worship God. Praise him. Tell him how great he is.
 - Confess any sins that you have committed. Confess your weaknesses.
 - Ask God to help you to be like him. Name specific areas of life that you need God to help you with today.
 - Pray for specific people by name, and pray for specific things for them.
3. Read John 11. The whole chapter first.
4. When Mary and Martha had a problem, who did they call for?
When you have problems, who do you go to for help?
It is not wrong to go to people for help, but we should always, always, always go to Jesus for help. He cares about every detail of our lives. He is paying attention to you every moment of every day. He loves when we come to him for all things. He is never annoyed with us.
5. Why was Lazarus sick - what was the ultimate purpose? Verse 4
Doesn't this remind you of the blind man? The reason why he was born blind was ultimately so God could be glorified in healing him. If we love God, everything in our lives (the good and bad) is working together for good. If this is true, then we always have a good reason to be joyful, regardless of what we are going through.
6. Jesus said, "Our friend Lazarus sleepeth." What did his disciples think that meant? What did he mean by this?
Many times the Bible refers to death as "sleeping" because one day we are all going to rise again from the dead. So, even though we all will die, we all will rise again.
7. Which disciple said, "Let us also go, that we may die with him."?
8. BB - why do you think Thomas said this?
9. How long was Lazarus dead for when Jesus came?
The Jews believed that when someone died that their soul would sort of hang out around their body for three days and then afterwards fully depart from this world. So it is important that Lazarus was dead for 4 days. It was a sign to everyone that he was not only dead, but he was for sure dead by now. This is the same reason that Jesus was in the grave 3 days and 3 nights - to be a sign that he was certainly dead.
10. Jesus said unto her, I am the _____, and the ____: he that _____ in me, though he were _____, yet shall he ____: And whosoever _____ and believeth in me shall _____ die. _____ thou this?
11. BB - Jesus said that if we believe in him we will never die. In what way will we never die?
12. Lazarus was dead. His sisters loved him and did not want him to die. It seemed like a hopeless situation. There was no earthly way possible for Lazarus to live anymore. Once someone is dead, especially for four days, there is no natural way of coming back...Don't be a person who easily gives up on things. God can do impossible things. If you believe in something, and it would please God - even if it seems impossible - continue believing and asking God to do impossible things in your life.
13. Jesus wept. Does God care about our problems? A little bit or a lot?
Is it not a beautiful thought- that God would cry over our lives?
14. "Lazarus, come forth!" Jesus caused life to come back into a man just by speaking the word. This is why we believe in Jesus and worship him. No one else can do this. He is God!
15. All of us are born into the world dead spiritually. The only way to come alive spiritually is to have an encounter with Jesus Christ. This is why we preach the Gospel - in the hopes that someone who hears the voice of the Son of God will be raised to new life by his word!
16. What was the name of the Pharisee who prophesied about Jesus?
17. BB - what is the deal with Caiphas? Do you think he was a believer?

John 12

1. Pray. Then read the whole chapter first.
2. Who was upset that Mary anointed Jesus' feet?
3. Why did he really not want her to anoint his feet?
4. BB - what can we learn from Mary's example of anointing Jesus' feet? How could we apply her example to our lives today?
5. Why did the chief priests want to kill Lazarus?
6. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey (an ass). The donkey was a symbol of peace. Horses were symbols of war. He didn't come to bring war, but peace. This was also a fulfillment of Zechariah 9:9 which said that Messiah would come riding on a donkey. One way to honor kings or emperors when they would visit would be to throw down branches of tree or even their clothes on the ground. This whole picture of Jesus riding into Jerusalem is packed full of symbolism, basically showing that Jesus was claiming to be the Messiah, and that the people were hailing him to be the Messiah. Of course, this made the Jewish leaders furious because of their jealousy.
7. Who asked Philip if they could see Jesus?
8. Except a _____ of _____ fall into the ground and _____, it abideth _____: but if it die, it bringeth forth much _____.
9. What does this verse mean? (verse 24)
10. BB - what does verse 25 mean?
11. "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." What was Jesus talking about - what does it mean to be lifted up?
12. BB - why couldn't many of the people believe in Jesus?
13. They loved the praise of men, more than the praise of God. - - - oof. Who are you more eager to please - God or other people? The most important thing in life is to please God, but many times if we please God men will not be pleased. We have to make a choice sometimes who we will please. Who is better to please?
14. Did Jesus come into the world to judge the world, or to save the world?
15. Is it possible for someone to be saved without believing in Jesus?
16. God made each of us and has a plan for our lives. If we decide that we want to be or do something different than what God has planned for us, then we will lose what God really designed us for. If we surrender our own bodies, lives and futures to God, he will reveal to us who we truly are and why he put us on this planet. Do you want to do your will or God's will for your life? Do you think it will always be easy to do God's will? Jesus did the will of God and it led him to the Cross. But it also led him to the Crown, and saving the world. Keep your life and you lose it and the others you are meant to help. Surrender your life and you will keep it and help the others you were created to help.

John 13

1. Pray and then read the passage.
2. John chapters 13-17 all happen the night before Jesus was crucified. Most of it is what we call "the last supper." Jesus was celebrating the Passover meal (the Supper) with his disciples and was preparing them for when he would be gone. It is like Jesus' last words of instruction and preparation, so this is a super important part of the Bible.
3. Jesus washed the disciples' feet. This was the task of a household servant, or slave - it was a slave's job. Jesus was the Master/Teacher. This would be like a King stepping off of his throne and helping one of his soldiers do his laundry or something like that. If Jesus washed his disciples' feet what should we do to one another?
4. Do you think washing someone else's feet would be embarrassing? Would it be pleasant or unpleasant? Back in those days everyone wore sandals and walked everywhere. They also walked on the same dirt roads that all of the animals walked on, which means that they probably all the time had poopy on their feet. Serving others is not always pleasant and easy, but it is Christ-like. The best leaders are those who are willing to serve others.
5. What are some things that we could do today that could be considered "washing other's feet?"
6. BB - what do verses 16-17 mean?
7. Did all of the disciples know who was going to betray Jesus? This means that sometimes it is very hard to tell who is faking as a Christian, and who truly believes and loves Jesus. There are Judas's today among God's true people. Whoever they are will be made manifest one day.
8. "A ___ commandment I give unto you, That ye ___ one another; as _ have loved you, that ye also love ___ another. By ___ shall all men ___ that ye are my _____, if ye have ___ one to another."
9. We are to love one another *as Jesus loved us*. How much did Jesus love us?
10. What is Love?

The one thing above all else that should be in our lives is LOVE - a willingness to serve God and serve each other. If Jesus, the Lord and Master, stooped down to serve us, then we should do the same to each other. Maybe this would be a good moment to stop and close your eyes and pray something like this, "Father, I fail often to love others as much as Jesus loves me, but help me to desire to love more like him. Help me to start with the people closest to me."
11. Do you think Peter really thought he was willing to die for Jesus?

Was he really willing to die for Jesus?

Usually we think of ourselves better than what we really are. The best thing to do is to take a humble viewpoint of ourselves. It would have been better if Peter said, "Lord, I want to go with you now. If I had to even die with you, I hope I would be willing to do that."

John 14

1. “Many mansions.” - Back in those days, when a new couple were planning to get married, the man would build a new room onto the Father’s house - this was called a Mansion. Jesus is saying that if we believe in him, we will be married to him and that there is room enough in the Father’s house for us. It does not mean that there are a bunch of huge houses in heaven. It means that we will be married to Jesus and live in the Father’s house with him. Jesus is preparing the house for us. He ascended into heaven, but when everything is ready he will come back to this earth for us.
2. What is the way to heaven? Verse 6
3. Can anyone get the to Father apart from Jesus?
4. What does Jesus mean when he says, “he that hath seen me hath seen the Father?”
5. BB - Jesus said that if we believe in him we will do greater works than Jesus (v. 12). In what way do we do greater works than Jesus?
6. If we love Jesus, then what should we do? (verse 15)
7. Who is the Comforter?
8. (verses 16-20) These are some great verses about the Trinity. When the Comforter comes he will be in the believer. Jesus said that He was going to come to us. It also says that Father will be in us. So is the Father in us, the Son, or the Holy Spirit? The answer is, “Yes.” It is hard to explain, but it is clear that that is what the Bible teaches.
9. One way that we know we belong to God is if the Comforter is in us. If He is in us we will have a desire to love God and keep his commandments. If we do not have a desire to love God and keep his commandments, it is probably because we have not been born again.
10. How is it that Jesus was going to manifest himself to believers and not to the world?
11. BB - what kind of peace can Jesus give to us that the world cannot give to us?
12. Jesus is preparing his disciples, because he is about to leave them. Jesus knew that they were going to go through some very rough times as followers and preachers of Jesus, but he is trying to encourage them. Jesus talks a lot in this chapter about his close and intimate relationship with the Father. One way that we can have peace in this world, even through tribulation, is to have a very close walk with the Father as well. The closer we are to God, the more at peace we will be, even if the world all around us is falling apart, because we know that God is greater than all of it, and nothing in this world can change who God is.
13. _____ I leave with you, ___ peace I give unto you: not as the _____ giveth, give _ unto you. Let not your _____ be _____, neither let it be _____.
14. I love you. I hope you have a wonderful time at the conference, that you have lots of fun and that you learn a lot about how to be a lady that is well pleasing to God.

John 15:1-8

1. Pray. Read first.
2. Remember that this whole section of John (chapters 13-17) all happened the night before Jesus was crucified. It is one long discussion Jesus is having with his disciples. He is preparing them for when he would leave and go back to heaven. Tomorrow I'm going to ask you this question: In John 13-17 what was Jesus trying to do in this long discussion with his disciples? I want you to put this as the answer - Jesus was preparing his disciples for when he would go back to heaven.
3. Vocabulary.
Husbandman: a farmer, or gardner
Purgeth (to purge): this is when a gardener cuts off dead or tangled branches. They call it pruning.
Abide: to stay, remain; to live
4. Who is the true vine?
5. Who is the husbandman?
6. Who are the branches?
7. What does the gardener do to branches that bear *no* fruit? The reason the gardner does this is because fruitless branches will continue to suck nutrients from the roots, but will not produce fruit in return. So the fruitless branches are not just ugly or in the way, they are actually *taking away* nutrients from branches that are bearing fruit.
8. BB - what does it look like in real life for God to remove the fruitless "branches" from the vine? Or, put another way - How does God cut off a "Christian?"
9. Two part - What does the gardener do to branches that *do* bear fruit? Why does he do this?
10. BB - what does it look like in real life for God to purge/prune the "branches" that are bearing fruit? Or, put another way - How does God prune a Christian?
11. How does Jesus "clean" us? (verse 3)
He is still using the imagery of gardening. Christians are the branches. Sometimes we get tangled and messy (we sin, or we are not growing spiritually), which causes us to not produce as much fruit. God loves us and will not leave us that way, so he comes to prune or clean us. This is another reason why Bible reading/meditation is important. God's Word cleanses us or prunes us as we read it (as we suck in the sap of His Word). It shows us how we are tangled or weak, and it also tells us how to get spiritually strong and lively again.
12. What is our main responsibility as "branches?" (verse 4)
13. How many times does Jesus say we should "abide" in him?
14. BB - How do we "abide in him"? What does that mean?
15. What happens to a branch if it gets disconnected from the tree?
16. I am the _ _ _ _ , ye are the _ _ _ _ _ : He that _ _ _ _ _ in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth _ _ _ _ _ : for without me ye can do _ _ _ _ _ .
17. BB - Jesus said that without him we can do nothing. What does this mean?
18. What do gardeners do to branches that die and fall off the tree?
19. What does Jesus promise will happen if we abide in Jesus?
20. Father, please cause us to be the kind of branch that stays attached to the Tree. Help us to stay connected to you for the rest of our lives; to suck in spiritual life from the root of your Word and Spirit; so that we produce all of the good spiritual fruits in our lives: things like doing what is righteous, having peace and contentment in our soul, being joyful, serving God and other people. In this way, we will glorify your Name in the earth! May the life of Jesus flow richly through us on a daily basis. Help us to be patient when you prune us - knowing that you are doing it because you love us. Amen.

John 15:9-27

1. Go into a room all by yourself. Set a timer and pray for 5 minutes.
2. In John 13-17 what was Jesus trying to do in this long discussion with his disciples?
3. What is Jesus's commandment?
4. What is love?
5. BB - Jesus commanded us to do other things than just this. So in what way is this commandment special?
6. What is the greatest act of love that we can do?
7. How do we know if we are Jesus' friends?
8. Did we choose Jesus, or did Jesus choose us?
9. Will the world hate Christians?
10. Why does the world hate Christians?
11. If people are mean to us because of the Gospel or for standing up for righteousness, we should remember that Jesus was hated and killed by this world first. One thing we need to remember though - If we are being bad, and people in the world hate us, it is not because of Jesus, but because of our own stupidity.
12. BB - what does verse 22 mean?
13. List three people from the Old Testament that were hated for being righteous. Also, list what they were hated for - what did they do that people didn't like?
14. These _____ have I _____ unto you, that my ___ might _____ in you, and that your ___ might be _____.
15. Jesus wants us to be happy. He wants us to be better than happy - joyful, fullness of joy. True joy does not come from our situations - it comes from God. This fullness of joy comes from following the ways of the Lord. What are those ways? In this chapter he mentions - abiding in him, loving one another, being willing to be hated for his sake. If we follow these ways we will be joyful.
16. Last thing. Read Matthew 5:10-12 and fill in the blanks.
"Blessed (happy, joyful) are they which are _____ for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall _____ you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of _____ against you falsely, for my sake. _____, and be exceeding _____: for great is your _____ in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." If we are hated for Jesus' sake we are following in the footsteps of all of the great men & women of the past who loved God. One day we will overcome this world and will have great rewards when we enter into heaven.

John 16

1. Pray.
2. What was Jesus doing in John 13-17?
3. Past Questions (P.Q.)
Who is the True Vine, the branches, and the Gardener (the husbandman)?
What does it mean to abide in Christ?
4. Vocab.
Offended: To cause to stumble. **Reprove:** to point out error
5. "...the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service."
The Jews killed Jesus because they thought he was blaspheming God. They thought that they were sticking up for God by killing Jesus and the apostles. If Jesus was misunderstood, hated and persecuted by people in this world, we should not be surprised when people mistreat us for trying to be like Jesus. Following Jesus is not always easy, but there is no other life worth giving so much for! Mostly all of these men Jesus is talking to would eventually die for him. He is preparing them now for when those days would come.
6. Why was it expedient (advantageous) for Jesus to go away from them?
7. When the Holy Spirit would come, what three things would he reprove the world?
8. BB - If these are the things that the Holy Spirit is reproofing the world of, what do you suppose we should be a part of our message as we preach to the world?
9. Who guides us into all truth?
10. BB - "You will be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy." What is this talking about? When would the disciples be sorrowful? When would they rejoice?
11. "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full." Jesus is encouraging us to pray. Pray about everything. God wants us to be happy and content. Bring all of your thoughts and desires to God. Ask him for what you need and want, and then be content with what He gives. He knows what is best for us. You can ask for 100 buckets of whipped cream - that may not be best for you, but it delights God when we bring all of our thoughts and prayers to him. He will give us what we *really* desire, the things that are best for us, the things we may not even know to ask for.
12. When Jesus was arrested and crucified, all of his disciples forsook him. He was all alone against his enemies. Yet he was not alone, because the Father was with him. You are never alone. Even if all people hate you, even the people closest to you, God is still with you. Let this comfort your heart at times when you may feel like you are being mistreated. Jesus knows what that feels like and he is there to comfort you.
13. These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have _____. In the _____ ye shall have _____: but be of good _____; I have _____ the world.
There is much evil in the world. We live in a fallen and cursed world. Even in ourselves there can be evil. Thankfully Jesus is greater than this world. He is perfect in every way. The more we focus on him, love him and spend time with him - the more peace we will have. This is why it is important to spend time with God in prayer and in his Word. While Peter's eyes were fixed on Jesus he walked on the water, but when he looked at the raging winds and waves he began to sink. We must train our hearts and minds to focus on God and not on the tribulation that is in this world. In God we will find peace.
14. I love you girls. May the Lord give us all a day of peace and strength and wisdom.

John 17

1. Pray.
2. John 17 is a very special chapter. It is by far the longest recorded prayer of Jesus. As we think about this prayer we can see what is very important to him. We can also know that whatever Jesus prayed for here will definitely come to pass. His prayers are always granted by the Father.
3. Vocab. **Keep:** to guard, watch over, protect, preserve
4. “This is life _____, that they might _____ thee the only _____ God, and _____ Christ, whom thou hast _____.” Eternal life is not achieved by doing religious things, like going to church or doing bible studies, or praying, or serving other people. Gaining eternal life is coming to **know** the one true God, whom we can know through Jesus Christ. There are some people we know *about*, such as movie actors or the president, but we do not actually know them. Many people know about God, but do not actually know Him. Eternal life is having a daily personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.
5. Did Jesus pray for the whole world, or only for his followers?
6. Green Belt Question (G.B.) - Who is the son of perdition (perdition means *complete destruction*)?
7. Did Jesus pray that the Father would quickly take them out of the world?
8. In verse 15, what did Jesus pray that the Father would do for them?
9. “_____ them through thy _____: thy _____ is _____.” To be sanctified (or to be holy) means to be clean, and also to be set apart. The truth is what cleans us. Lies and wrong thinking makes us spiritually unclean. How do we know what is true and what is false? There is so much knowledge, and there are so many different opinions in the world. Is there anywhere we can go that we know for certain will be absolutely true, always? Yes! God’s Word - the Bible. The more we train our brain to think like God, the more we will be cleansed and set apart for God’s service.
10. BB - read v. 18. What does Jesus mean by this?
11. Did Jesus only pray for his followers back then, or did he also have *you* in mind? (verse 20)
12. Wow. What a super special thing to realize - that Jesus prayed for me personally.
13. What is the main prayer request of Jesus for his disciples in verses 21-23? If you noticed, Jesus asked this request 5x in this chapter. It is the most important request of Jesus to the Father.
14. What does it mean for a group of people to become “one”? The idea is unity, harmony, cooperation - striving to worship and work together in peace. Think of an symphony - there are many, many different kinds of instruments, but they are all playing *one* song, and all of the instruments are in the same tune. Most of the instruments are *very* different from each other, but the variety actually adds to the beauty of the song. Similarly, there are many different kinds of Christians - we may have different lifestyles (differences in home life, diets, music, dress, entertainment, things we do for fun, etc.) and even some different beliefs. But one of the most passionate things in the heart of God is that we would be *unified* - *Love one another!* We don’t have to agree on everything, but we do have to love one another. It pains the heart of God terribly when his children are at odds with each other and refuse to show love to each other.
15. What did Jesus say would be the result of the church being unified (verse 21)?
16. When the church is strong in love, joy and peace, and working together for the Gospel, it is very attractive. This is something the world cannot offer.
17. What else did Jesus ask for in verse 24?
18. How could they be “with Jesus” if he was going back to heaven, but they were staying on the earth?

John 18

1. Pray. ask God to teach you as you study. Also, any specific person or need that comes into your mind - pray for them as well.
2. Read the whole chapter first.
3. B.B. - why do you think all the people “went backward and fell to the ground” when Jesus said to them, “I am he.”?
4. W.B. - What was the name of the guy who got his ear cut off by Peter?
5. Why didn't Jesus want Peter to defend him?
6. Who did they bring Jesus to first after they arrested him?
7. What did the officer do to Jesus after he responded to Annas's question?
8. Where did Annas send Jesus to after he was with him?
9. Notice how these two stories go back and forth through the chapter - Peter is warming himself by the fire, denying Jesus , while Jesus is being condemned all alone. The reason why it was written this way was to show us the contrast between what Peter and Jesus were experiencing. Peter was one of the greatest apostles, and look at what he is doing! Truely Jesus won our salvation, all on his own!
10. What do you think it would it take for you to deny Jesus?
11. It's awesome that even though Peter denied Jesus, Jesus forgave him and still made him one of the greatest leaders in the church. We should follow Jesus' example and forgive others when they do us wrong, and not give up on them.
12. Where did they bring Jesus after Caiphaz?
13. Why didn't the Jewish leaders want to go into the hall of judgment?
14. Malefactor: someone who commits serious crimes
15. The Jews were under Roman Rule, so they were not allowed to just kill people. If they were allowed to kill people they would have stoned Jesus, since that is the way the Jews would kill people. However, because the Romans ended up executing him, their method was crucifixion. Do you see how God's hand worked in these details, so as to fulfill the prophecies that spoke about the manner in which Jesus would die? Jesus was a Jew who was delivered to death by Jews, yet he wasn't stoned, but was rather crucified.
16. “My _____ is not of this _____: if my _____ were of this _____, then would my servants _____.” How do we fight in Jesus' kingdom?
17. Did Pilate think that Jesus was worthy of death?
18. Who did the people want released from prison instead of Jesus?
19. Notice how Jesus appears to be calm throughout all of these little trials. None of these judgments were done the proper way - they were rushed, they were done in private, they were unfair, no witnesses, only lies. Yet, Jesus just went forward, knowing that the Father was in charge of it all. Let me encourage you to be slow to justify yourself when people bring accusations against you. It's ok to stand up for yourself (most of the time), but don't be eager to. Don't act as if you have no Father in heaven who isn't there for you. Allow Him to defend you - He's pretty good at what He does.
Romans 12:19 “*Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves (don't get revenge for yourself), but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.*”
20. Smoochie.

John 19

1. Pray.
2. Read the whole passage first.
3. List 4 things they did to abuse Jesus.

4. Who yelled out, "Crucify him, crucify him!"?
5. Was Pilate eager to crucify Jesus, or was he trying to figure out a way to let him go?
6. Do you think God holds Pilate responsible for crucifying Jesus?
7. B.B. - Why do you think Pilate eventually gave in to the Jews, and ordered Jesus to be crucified?
8. "We have no king but Caesar!" Wow! This is the Jewish people saying this - God's people! Do you remember the Jews back in Samuel's day, how they said, "We want a king like all the other nations"? That's when God gave them Saul, who became a curse to them. What's the point? - God is our King. He is Lord. Any other king or leader we may have must be submitted to the Lordship of Christ. We must obey God above all else and under every circumstance. Any blessed ruler is one who first submits himself to God.
9. What was the name of the place where Jesus was crucified?
10. What did Pilate write on a sign that was put above the cross?
11. What three languages did he write it in?
12. Why did the soldiers cast lots for Jesus' coat?
13. B.B. - What was the name of the disciple that took care of Jesus' mom after this?
14. How special! That even while Jesus was in agony on the cross, he still had enough care to make sure that his mom would be taken care of. May the Lord give us this kind of faithfulness to make sure that we do our responsibilities, and do them well, even when it may be very difficult for us to do so.
15. What were the last words of Jesus before he died?
16. He could have said anything as his last words. Why do you think he chose those specific words?
17. Did the soldiers break his legs?
18. What did they do instead of breaking his legs?
19. Why was it very important that his legs were not broken and that he was pierced?
20. Which two men took the body of Jesus off the cross and buried him?
21. Do you think Nicodemus became a true believer?
22. What do you think was worse for Jesus - the Physical pain of crucifixion, or knowing that the Father was treating him like he was a guilty, wicked sinner on the cross?
23. Take some time to pray and give thanks, that Jesus was willing to go through all that he did so that you could be forgiven of your sins and brought into a right relationship with God.

John 20

1. Pray. Read first.
2. **sepulchre**: a tomb, or a grave
3. Who was the first person to realize the body of Jesus was missing from the tomb?
4. Who were the second and third people to the tomb?
5. The covering over Jesus' head was "wrapped together in a place by itself." This means that there was no struggle. Jesus resurrected, quietly wrapped his grave clothes, and exited his tomb triumphantly. He was not scared and fighting with guards trying to get out.
6. Who was at the grave weeping?
7. Both the angels and Jesus said to Mary, "Why are you weeping?" She was crying because in her mind Jesus was dead. It was all over. But they were trying to get her to realize that it wasn't over...No matter what problems we have in life that would cause us to want to lose hope, we can always remember one thing - He Lives. Nothing is impossible with God. Behind it all I have a Savior who has conquered it all. Every day we live we get one step closer to glory. There is always reason to cheer up as a Christian.

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow

Because he lives, all fear is gone

Because I know-oh-oh! Who holds the future

And life is worth the living - just because He lives!

8. I love how Jesus just says her name, "Mary" and she immediately knows that it is Jesus. God knows your name, and when He speaks to you you know who it is. Stay close to Jesus, you will never have a better friend. Everyone will misunderstand you to one degree or another, but he knows you perfectly and will never harm you in any way.
9. What was the first thing Jesus said when he came to them for a surprise visit?
10. "_____ be unto you: as my _____ hath _____ me, even so _____ I _____."
11. In the same way the Father sent me, I am sending you...How did the Father send Jesus? It can't mean like sending from Heaven to earth. I think he means, "Just how I was sent into the world to preach the gospel and serve others so they see the love of God - this is now your job. I am passing on the responsibility to you, to do what I was doing." We have a great task, the greatest in all of the world - to serve God and be his representatives in the earth!
12. When Jesus breathed on them what did he say?
13. BB - what does verse 23 mean? **remit**: *to cancel, pardon, forgive*
14. What is another they called Thomas?
15. This story is why people call him "Doubting Thomas." He needed to actually see Jesus and touch him before he was going to believe. Thankfully, God is merciful and tenderhearted. He knew Thomas's weak faith. God will give us everything that He knows we need to know in order to believe. Ultimately, the choice is ours whether we will believe or not.
16. Many, many people say that the Bible doesn't teach that Jesus is actually God, but notice what Thomas says, "My Lord and my God." Thomas clearly calls Jesus "my God" and there are no rebukes at all. Jesus receives that saying. What would we say if someone fell down at our feet and seriously said, "You are my Master and my God, my Creator!" ? We would tell them to get up and stop speaking such nonsense. There is no doubt that Jesus claimed to be the actual Creator of the universe and everyone around him knew that was the case.
17. Why did John write this book about Jesus?

John 21

1. Pray.
2. Which sea did Jesus appear to them at?
3. Black Belt - why do you think Peter wanted to go fishing?
4. Who first realized that it was Jesus on the shore?
5. When the disciples got to the land, Jesus already had fish cooking over the fire. Yum. This is special - they could catch nothing, but Jesus already was making supper for them. What lesson do you think we can learn from this?
6. Come and dine. God is a God of fellowship and joy. He loves to spend time with us and for us to enjoy life. He is interested in us. May we continually and forever be interested in Him and find joy in this life as we walk with God.
7. 2nd degree Black Belt - "Simon, son of Jonah." Can you see any significance here by Jesus reminding Peter that he was the son of Jonah?
8. "Simon, do you love me more than these." What are these?
9. How would Simon Peter "feed Jesus' lambs?"
10. If Simon truly loved Jesus, then he would feed his sheep. If we truly love Jesus then we will love the church and give our lives to bless the lives of other Christians.
11. BB - can you figure out how Peter was going to die, based on the things that Jesus said to him?
12. Jesus told Peter how he was going to die. Then what was Peter's response? - to ask how John would die. It's so much better if we just pay attention to our own selves, to make sure that we are doing what we're supposed to be doing, instead of always being so concerned about others.
13. Did John record all of the miracles he saw Jesus do?
14. List 5 miracles that Jesus did in the book of John:
15. This is the end of the Gospel according to John. What was your most favorite story, verse or teaching in John?
16. We love you very much! Have a wonderful time with Grandpa and great Grandpa. Be a servant and make it easy for Grandpa to watch you. Don't be all fighting and arguing with each other. If someone else is being annoying just leave them alone. Love is when I suffer so other people can be blessed. Love is always rewarded greatly.