

Outline of the Gospel of John

Prologue: the eternal Word comes to his world (1:1-18)

1. The Word is life (1:1-5)
2. The Word is light (1:6-13)
3. The Word is love (1:14-18)

I. REVELATION TO THE WORLD: Christ as Life (1:19-12:50)

A. Life announced (1:19-2:11)

B. Life acknowledged (2:12-4:54)

1. In Judea (2:12-3:36)
2. In Samaria (4:1-42)
3. In Galilee (4:43-54)

C. Life antagonized (5:1-12:50)

1. Opposition emerges: A lame man healed (5:1-18)
2. Opposition intensifies (5:19-47)
3. Opposition solidifies (11:1-12:50)

II. REVELATION TO THE DISCIPLES: Christ as Light (13:1-17:26)

A. Light introduced and applied (13:1-38)

B. Light imparted and explained (14:1-16:33)

C. Light interceded for and appropriated (17:1-26)

III. REVELATION TO THE DISCIPLES AND THE WORLD: Christ as Love (18:1-20:31)

A. Love tried before the world (18:1-19:16a)

B. Love tested to the ultimate (19:16b-37)

C. Love triumphant in the end (19:38-20:31)

Epilogue: the risen Savior who calls us to follow (21:1-25)

1. Believing the risen Lord (21:1-14)
2. Loving the risen Lord (21:15-17)
3. Following the risen Lord (21:18-25)