

COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS FOR JOHN

WARM UP

Who was the most memorable teacher you have ever had? What made them memorable?

EXPLORATION

1. Read John 20:30-31. What was John's purpose for writing this gospel? Now choose any chapter from chapter 2-21 to read together and identify in that chapter how John is achieving his purpose.
2. John begins his account of Jesus in a unique way. Read John 1:1-18. According to these words, who is Jesus?
3. Read John 1:19-33 & 3:25-30, John 1:43-51, John 6:68-70, and John 11:25-27. Who do those close to Jesus say that He is? Why do they come to that conclusion?
4. John records a series of times when Jesus refers to Himself with the phrase "I Am" as an echo of God's statement found in Exodus 3:14 (see John 6:35, 8:12, 8:58, 10:7, 10:11, 11:25, 14:6, 15:1). What is Jesus doing with these statements?
5. The word "believe" is key in John's theology (he uses it 47 times). What does Jesus mean in using this term and how is it essential for eternal life? (see John 3:16-18, 3:36, 6:28-29, 12:34-36, 17:20-21 and 20:30-31).

APPLICATION

John concludes his account with the wonderful statement found in 21:25. Take time in your group to pray out your thanks for things Jesus has done. (Get as specific and personal as you can). As an extra credit homework assignment, make your own list this week of all the things Jesus has done for you and your family.