

WEEK 10: JESUS IS OUR OVERCOMER

DAY 1: HE ROSE FROM DEATH

John 20:1-10.

1. Last week we saw how Jesus suffered. Now we come to the happy subject of the book of John. This week we will see how Jesus overcame suffering and death.

What did Jesus say on the cross to show that He had paid the price for our sins?

Why was it so important that the soldiers pierced Jesus' side instead of breaking His legs?

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2. Jesus said: It is finished. It was important that the soldiers pierced Him because this fulfilled the writings. Jesus died and was buried, but this was not the end. Today we will learn what was different about the death of Jesus.

- (1) Peter and John could find only the grave clothes in the grave.
- (2) We see that Christ is different from other religious leaders because He rose from death.

Take your Bible now and read John 20:1 to 10. Read verse 1 again. In this verse who went first to the tomb on Sunday morning?

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3. The first one who went to the tomb was Mary Magdalene. Other writers say that there were other women with her. But John tells only about Mary Magdalene. Mary was one of the women who had been at the cross when Jesus died. Mary saw that the stone was taken away from the grave. She was surprised.

John 20:2:

She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

When Mary saw that the tomb was open, whom did she run and tell? _____

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4. She told Simon Peter and the disciple whom Jesus loved.

John 20:3-4:

Then Peter and the other disciple went to the tomb. The two of them were running, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and reached the tomb first.

As we have learned, who was the disciple whom Jesus loved, who is never named in the book of John?

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5. That disciple was John. He was the one who wrote this book. He did not try to make himself look big in the book. He called himself "the other disciple." But we know it is John by the way he wrote.

John 20:5:

He (John) bent over and the linen clothes (or the grave clothes), but he did not go in.

What did John see in the tomb? _____

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6. He saw the grave clothes. That is all he could see in the tomb. Peter saw the grave clothes too.

John 20:6-7:

Behind him came Simon Peter, and he went straight into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there and the cloth which had been around Jesus' head. It was not lying with linen cloths but was rolled up by itself.

If you saw the grave clothes in a grave, but nothing else, what would you think?

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7. Be ready to share your answer in class. It was very strange. If someone stole the body of Jesus, they would not take off the clothes. The cloth which had been around Jesus' head was by itself. It was rolled just as it had been around Jesus' head. No one had unrolled it to take it off His head. The body of Jesus had somehow gone by itself from inside the clothes.

What did Peter and John find in the tomb? _____

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8. They found only the grave clothes. That was all. This helped John to believe. He did not yet understand the writings about this. But Jesus has overcome death.

John 20:9-10:

(They still did not understand the scripture which said that he must rise from death.) Then the disciples went back home.

The disciples were surprised. They could not understand what was happening. There was nothing to do but go home.

In what chapter of John are we learning that our leader rose from death?_____

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9. We read this in John 20. We see how Peter and John found only the grave clothes. They did not realise that they had a much greater Messiah than they expected. He did not set up an earthly kingdom as they expected. He did not overcome the enemies of Israel as they expected. Most people on earth follow an earthly leader. They are glad when he kills their enemies. But they still have to die. They cannot rise from death.

What did Jesus do to death?_____

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10. He rose from it. He had told the people He would do this. We saw what happened when Jesus drove the traders from the temple. The leaders asked for a sign that Jesus could do that. Remember what Jesus said.

John 2:19,21:

Jesus answered, "Tear down this Temple, and in three days I will build it again." ... But the temple Jesus was speaking about was his body.

What did Jesus rise from in John 20?_____

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11. Jesus rose from death. He is our leader. He is the one we Christians follow. Jesus said that He would raise others to life too. He overcame death for us.

John 6:54:

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him to life on the last day.

Do you know of any other religion in which the leader rose from death as Christ did?

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12. Be ready to talk about this in class. The people of other religions know where their leaders are buried. Many people in Africa follow Mohammed. They face toward Mecca when they pray. Mecca is the city where Mohammed is buried. Go and ask a Muslim why he faces toward Mecca. He will tell you that that is where his leader is buried. His leader did not rise from death.

What do we see in John 20 that makes Christ different from other religious leaders?

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13. Christ rose from death. This makes our religion different.

There is a prophet whom many people worship in southern Africa. His name is Shembe. Shembe is buried near the city of Durban. Many people know where his body is. They have built a special house over his grave. People go there each year to visit the grave of their leader. But our leader rose from death. His body left the grave.

What did Peter and John find in the grave? _____

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14. They found only the grave clothes. Jesus christ is not buried anywhere. He rose from death. Many people saw Jesus after He rose. No one ever found the dead body of Jesus.

What do we see in John 20 that makes Christ different from other religious leaders?

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15. Christ rose from death.

Mr. Ndiweni lives in the city of Johannesburg. He hears many people preaching about many things. He is trying to find which is the right religion. He thinks many of them sound good. Each one has some good teachings. Sometimes he thinks, "What is so special about the Christian religion? Why should I not just follow one of the other religions which are easier?"

In week 7 and today we learned some things which are different in the Christian religion. If you meet people like Mr. Ndiweni, what can you tell them?

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16. What did Peter and John find in the grave? _____

What do we see in John 20 that makes Christ different from other religious leaders?

WEEK 10: JESUS IS OUR OVERCOMER
DAY 2: JESUS APPEARED TO MARY AND THE DISCIPLES
John 20:11-31

1. John made it very clear that Jesus did not stay in the grave. Remember that John wrote so we could believe.

What did Peter and John find in the grave? _____

What do we see in John 20 that makes Christ different from other religious leaders?

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2. Peter and John found only the grave clothes in the grave. In John 20 we see that our leader rose from death. But how would Jesus show the disciples for sure that He had risen? They needed to see Him. So Jesus showed Himself to them.

- (1) He appeared first to Mary Magdalene.
- (2) When He appeared to the disciples He said: Peace be with you.
- (3) When Jesus showed him His hands and side, Thomas said: My Lord and My God!

In your Bible read John 20:11 to 18. Why do you think Mary Magdalene did not know Jesus at first?

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3. Be ready to share your answer in class. Mary was not expecting to see Jesus. Perhaps she did not even look at Him. She was crying. Perhaps she was so sad that she could not think clearly. Or perhaps Jesus kept her from knowing Him. At first He called her "Woman."

John 20:15:

"Woman, why are you crying?" Jesus asked her. "Who is it that you are looking for?" She thought he was the gardener, so she said to him, "If you took him away, sir, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him."

Who was Mary Magdalene looking for? _____

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4. She was looking for Jesus. She was looking for His dead body. She was not expecting Him to talk to her. He had not yet appeared to anyone else. Some people think women are not very important. But Jesus chose to appear first to a woman.,

John 20:16:

Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned toward him and said in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (This means "Teacher.")

To whom did Jesus appear first after He rose from death? _____

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5. Jesus first appeared to Mary Magdalene. It is not enough to say it was Mary. There were many women named Mary who knew Jesus. But this Mary had a special reason to love Jesus. Mark wrote about this.

Mark 16:9:

After Jesus rose from death early on Sunday, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had driven out seven demons.

Jesus gave Mary a job to do. She must go and tell the disciples what had happened.

Now let us see what the disciples were doing. Read John 20:19 to 23 in your Bible. Why were the disciples behind locked doors? _____

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6. John says it was because they were afraid. They thought the leaders of the Jews might come and take them. John knew this because he was there!

John 20:19:

... Then Jesus came and stood among them. "Peace be with you," he said.

What special word did Jesus use to greet the disciples? _____

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7. Jesus used the word: Peace. This was what the disciples needed. During the last few days their lives had been completely upset. They were confused and discouraged and afraid. Now they could have peace instead of fear. "Peace" is a greeting which many Christians of the Zulu tribe use with each other.

John 20:20:

After saying this, he (Jesus) showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy at seeing the Lord.

Whom did Jesus greet with the words: Peace be with you? _____

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8. He greeted the disciples. They were the ones who had been close to Him. They were the ones most troubled about His death. He showed them His hands and His side. In this way they could know that it really was Jesus.

John 20:21:

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you."

How did Jesus greet the disciples when He appeared to them? _____

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9. Jesus said: Peace be with you. But one of the disciples was not there when Jesus first appeared. The others tried to tell him what had happened.

In your Bible read John 20:24 to 29. Who refused to believe that Jesus had risen from death until he saw Him? _____

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10. Thomas refused to believe. He was like some of us. It is not enough for us to see Christ working in other lives. We want to see Him working in our own.

John 20:26:

A week later the disciples were together again indoors, and Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

How did Jesus greet the disciples when He appeared to them the second time? _____

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11. Again Jesus said: Peace be with you. Then Jesus spoke to Thomas. Jesus wants to help those who have trouble believing. It was easier for Thomas to believe when he saw Jesus. He called Jesus: My Lord and My God. But we do not usually get to see Jesus today.

John 20:27:

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands, then reach out your hand and put it in my side. Stop your doubting and believe!"

What did Jesus show Thomas to help him say: My Lord and My God? _____

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12. Jesus showed Thomas His hands and side. Jesus knew that Thomas was doubting. He helped Thomas to believe. When it is hard for us to believe, we can ask God to help us.

John 20:28:

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus accepted these words from Thomas. He was pleased that Thomas was beginning to understand who Jesus was.

What did Thomas say when Jesus showed him His hands and side? _____

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13. Thomas said; My Lord and my God! He saw that Jesus was more than a man. He was God. Then Jesus said something which helps us. We cannot see the hands and the side of Jesus today. He does not come into our meetings in the body which He had on earth. But we can still believe in Him.

John 20:29:

Jesus said to him, "Do you believe because you see me? How happy are those who believe without seeing me!"

As we learned, to whom did Jesus appear first after he rose? _____

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14. Jesus appeared first to Mary Magdalene. Then He appeared many times to His disciples. He wanted to be sure they knew He had risen from death. When we read about these times it helps us to believe.

What did Thomas say when Jesus showed him His hands and side? _____

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15. Thomas said: My Lord and my God! Thomas believed that Jesus had risen from death. He accepted Jesus as his Lord and his God. John wanted to be sure to tell us that. And then he wrote the words which we memorised at the beginning of this course. First read verse 30.

John 20:30:

In his disciples' presence Jesus performed many other miracles which are not written down in this book.

Now say to yourself John 20:31 which tells why John wrote his book.

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16. Look in your Bible to see if you said it right.

To whom did Jesus appear first after He rose? _____

How did Jesus greet the disciples when He appeared to them? _____

What did Thomas say when Jesus showed him His hands and side? _____

WEEK 10: JESUS IS OUR OVERCOMER
DAY 3: WE MUST OBEY OUR LEADER
John 21:1-14.

1. To whom did Jesus appear first after He rose? _____

How did Jesus greet the disciples when He appeared to them? _____

What did Thomas say when Jesus showed him His hands and side? _____

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2. Jesus first appeared to Mary Magdalene. When He appeared to the disciples He said: Peace be with you. Thomas said: My Lord and my God!

Jesus told the disciples that He was sending them as the Father had sent Him. Now they would be the ones to do His work on earth. But the disciples did a strange thing. Instead of going to tell people about Jesus, they went back to fishing. Jesus came to them while they were fishing. We learn two things from what happened.

- (1) When Jesus appeared to the seven disciples by the sea, He helped them to catch many fish.
- (2) If we want to fish for men today, we must obey when Jesus speaks to us.

Take your Bible now and read John 21:1 to 14. In these verses what did the disciples go to do? _____

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3. They went fishing. Jesus wanted them to fish for men. But instead they went fishing for fish. They went to the Sea of Tiberias. This is another name for the Sea of Galilee. The disciples who went fishing lived in Galilee.

John 21:3:

Simon Peter said to the others, "I am going fishing." "We will come with you," they told him. So they went out on a boat, but all that night they did not catch a thing.

Did they have a good time fishing for fish? _____

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4. They did not have a good time. They did not catch anything. In the morning Jesus came and stood by the water. The disciples did not know it was Jesus at first. Jesus asked if they had caught anything.

John 21:6:

He said to them, "Throw your net out on the right side of the boat, and you will catch some."

How do you think the disciples felt when someone told them to fish more after they had been fishing all night?

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5. Be ready to share your answer in class. I am sure that the disciples had fished on both sides of the boat. I am sure they had moved the boat from place to place. They had tried everything they could. Perhaps they felt like laughing when Jesus told them to put the net on the other side. But they did it anyway. Jesus was testing to see if they would obey.

John 21:6:

... So they threw the net out and could not pull it back in, because they had caught so many fish.

What did Jesus help them to do? _____

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6. Jesus helped them to catch many fish. Jesus did not scold them because they were fishing for fish. Perhaps He understood that they still needed time to learn. They needed time to understand what He wanted them to do. But it was important that they obey. If they had not obeyed, they would not have caught anything. When they put the net on the other side, it was full. When this happened, John understood. He know who was standing beside the water.

John 21:7:

The disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

Whose words must we obey if we want to fish for men? _____

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7. We must obey the words of Jesus. Peter was very happy when he heard that it was Jesus. He jumped into the water and went to Him.

John 21:8:

The other disciples came to shore in the boat, pulling the net full of fish.

When Jesus appeared to the seven disciples by the sea, what did He help them to do?

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8. He helped them to catch many fish. He still helps us with our work today. He cares about our fields and our jobs. Sometimes He does miracles for us. Many times He expects us to trust Him without miracles. But we must remember that He cared for us in every way. He gives us commands to obey as we work for Him.

John 21:9-10:

When they stepped ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there with fish on it and some bread. Then Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught."

Does Jesus leave us to fish for men by ourselves? _____

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9. He does not leave us to fish by ourselves. He has promised to be with us all the time. He helps us know what to do. Sometimes He tells us just what we should do next. He told the disciples to bring some of their fish. But there were already fish on the fire. Perhaps some disciples thought there was no need to bring more fish. But they obeyed Jesus.

John 21:11:

Simon Peter went abroad and dragged the net ashore full of big fish, a hundred and fifty-three in all.

As we obey Jesus' words, what does He want us to fish for today? _____

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10. He wants us to fish for men. He wants us to tell them about Him. We must help them listen to His words. We must help receive Him.

John 21:12:

Jesus said to them, "Come and eat." None of the disciples dared ask him, "who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord.

If we want to fish for men today, whose words must we obey? _____

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11. We must obey the words of Jesus. Sometimes He gives us hard things to do. We may have to go through hard times as the disciples did. We may not understand why we have to do certain things. But Jesus promised that He would help us fish for men.

This was a wonderful time for the disciples. Jesus was alive. He was giving them His commands. They could sit beside the sea and have fellowship with Him.

John 21:13:

So Jesus went over, took the bread, and gave it to them; he did the same with the fish.

If we want to fish for today, what must we do when Jesus speaks to us? _____
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12. We must obey. Jesus will be with us. He will help us in every part of our lives.

Perhaps you have asked the Lord to help you in some part of your work. Be ready to tell the class how the Lord helped you.

When Jesus appeared to the seven disciples by the sea, what did He help them to do?

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13. He helped them to catch many fish. Jesus is with us even when we do not see Him working. He will keep His promises. Jesus had promised that He would rise from death. Now He was showing His disciples that He had risen.

John 21:14:

This, then, was the third time Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from death.

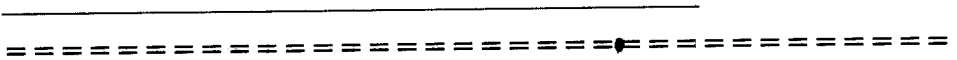
If we want to fish for men today, what must we do when Jesus speaks to us?

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14. We must obey. Later the disciples had many more hard times. They were put into prison. Sometimes people did not want to listen to them. Some of them were killed because of their preaching. But God made the church grow.

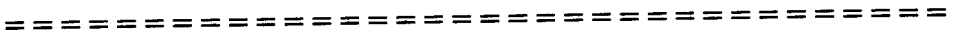
Mr. Mwai is a young preacher in Kenya. He believes God wants him to tell other people about Jesus. He works hard on his farm. He hurries to finish his work so he can go to visit people. He tries to help them receive Christ. But sometimes people laugh at him. His church is still very small. Sometimes he thinks he should stop preaching and spend all the time on his farm.

If you could talk to Mr. Mwai, what would you tell him from this lesson? _____

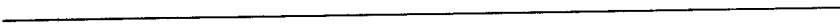


15. Be ready to share your answer in class.

When Jesus appeared to the seven disciples by the sea, what did He help them to do? _____



If we want to fish for men today, what must we do when Jesus speaks to us? _____



WEEK 10: JESUS IS OUR OVERCOMER
DAY 4: TAKING CARE OF HIS SHEEP
John 21:15-25

1. This week we have seen that Jesus is our Overcomer. He helps us. There are also things we must do.

When Jesus appeared to the seven disciples by the sea, what did He help them to do?

If we want to fish for men today, what must we do when Jesus speaks to us?____

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2. Jesus helped the disciples catch many fish. Today, if we want to fish for men, we must obey when Jesus speaks. Through the book of John we have seen many things Jesus wants us to do. In this lesson we will see the last few verses of John. Jesus was again telling His disciples something to do.

From the words of Jesus to Peter
in John 21, we see that we can
show our love to Him by taking
care of His sheep.

Take your Bible now and read John 21:15 to 19. Whom did Jesus talk to specially in these verses?

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3. Jesus was talking specially to Peter. The disciples and Jesus had just had a good meal together. The disciples were happy to be with Jesus. They were so glad He had risen from the dead. Perhaps now He would fight the enemies of Israel and set up His kingdom. They must have been watching Him closely. Then Jesus began to talk to Peter. Peter had said three times that he did not know Jesus. Perhaps he was still very sad about this. Jesus asked if Peter loved Him. Then Jesus gave him work to do.

John 21:15:

... "Yes, Lord," he answered, "you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Take care of my lambs."

What did Jesus tell Peter to do?_____

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4. Jesus told Peter to take care of His lambs. You remember that Jesus had said He was the good shepherd. His lambs were the ones who followed Him. Now Jesus would be going back to heaven. He wanted someone to help Him take care of His sheep.

John 21:16:

A second time Jesus said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?"
"Yes, Lord," he answered, "you know that I love you."

What question did Jesus ask Peter for the second time? _____

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5. Jesus asked him: Do you love me? Peter answered again that he loved Jesus. He knew that Jesus could see his thoughts. He was sure Jesus knew that he loved Him. But Jesus wanted Peter to do something to show this.

Sometimes we do wrong. We are very sorry after we have done it. It helps us if we can do something to show that we are sorry.

John 21:16:

... Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep."

What could Peter do to show that he loved Jesus? _____

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6. He could take care of His sheep. Taking care of the sheep would not save Peter. This was not something he could do to earn forgiveness. Jesus had already forgiven him. But this was a way in which Peter could show his love.

John 21:17:

A third time Jesus said, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter became sad because Jesus asked him the third time, "Do you love me?"

Why do you think Jesus asked Peter the same question three times? _____

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7. Be ready to talk about this in class. Perhaps it was because Peter had said three times that he did not know Jesus. Now Jesus was reminding him of that. But Jesus was also showing that he had forgiven Peter. Because He had forgiven him, He was giving Peter work to do. See what Peter said the third time.

John 21:17:

... "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you!" Jesus said to him, "Take care of my sheep.

From the words of Jesus to Peter in John 21, how can we show our love to Him?

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8. We can show our love by taking care of His sheep. This is important for us who lead the church. It is also important for every Christian. All followers of Jesus should take care of each other. When we do this we show our love for Jesus. Later John wrote the book of 1 John to show that we love God by loving our brother.

Jesus said something else to Peter. Once Peter had said he would die for Jesus. After that he said that he did not know Jesus. Now Jesus was telling Peter that he would die for Jesus!

John 21:18-19:

I am telling you the truth: when you were young, you used to get ready and go anywhere you wanted to; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands and someone else will tie you up and take you where you don't want to go." (In saying this, Jesus was indicating the way in which Peter would die and bring glory to God.)

How do you think Peter felt when he heard these words? _____

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9. As Jesus looked at Peter that day, He knew what would happen. Peter would show his love for Jesus the rest of his life. He would work hard to care for the Christians. He would keep on preaching about Christ after the Jews said he should stop. In the end, Peter would be killed for Christ. This would bring glory to God. The Bible does not tell how Peter died. But some books say he was crucified with his head down.

On that day beside the sea, Peter was troubled. He wondered what the other disciples would do.

In your Bible read John 21:20 to 25. Who was the disciple called "the disciple who Jesus loved?"

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10. This was John. Peter thought that Jesus should say something about John too. He wondered what John would have to do.

John 21:22:

Jesus answered him, "If I want him to live until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!"

Sometimes we want to look at other people. We want to measure our lives by them. We think God should not ask us to do things which He does not ask of them.

Did Jesus tell Peter that John should take care of His sheep too? _____
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11. Jesus did not say that to Peter. He wanted Peter to follow without looking at others. Of course John would also take care of Jesus' sheep. John did not live until Jesus returned. But he did live to be an old man. We learned that he was an old man when he wrote this book. He wrote the book to help take care of Jesus' sheep. We see that the disciple whom Jesus loved wrote the Gospel of John.

John 21:24:

He is the disciple who spoke of these things, the one who also wrote them down, and we know that what he said is true.

From Jesus' words to Peter in John 21, how can we show our love to Him? _____
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12. We can show our love by taking care of His sheep. John wrote many things in his book. But he could not write all of them. He thought he should explain this at the end of his book.

John 21:25:

Now, there are many other things that Jesus did. If they were all written down one by one, I suppose that the whole world could not hold the books that would be written.

It is surprising how many books have been written about Jesus. There are more books about Him than about any other man. The next you have a chance, go into a book shop. Ask to see the books which are written about Jesus. If you can, buy one for your family, so they can learn more about Him.

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13. Perhaps your leader can bring some books about Jesus to class.

From Jesus' words to Peter in John 21, how can we show our love to Him? _____

WEEK 10: JESUS IS OUR OVERCOMER
DAY 5: REVISION

We have come to the end of our study of John. We can be very thankful that John wrote this book. He wrote things which none of the other men wrote. God inspired him to write so that we could believe the truth.

Preach often from the book of John. Show your people how it helps us to believe. Help them put John's teaching into their lives.

It is time now to go over everything you have learned in this book. Take three or four days for revision. Answer these questions before you go back. Then work on the other revision days. Be sure you know every answer.

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Questions from Week 9.

1. Why was Jesus willing to suffer? _____
2. How did Judas make Jesus suffer? _____
3. How did Peter make Jesus suffer? _____

4. How did the high priest make Jesus suffer? _____

5. What name was given to Jesus during the trial by Pilate? _____

6. How did Pilate make Jesus suffer? _____

7. Besides making Him a crown of thorns, laughing at Him, hitting Him, and dividing His clothes, how did the Roman soldiers make Jesus suffer?

8. What did Jesus say on the cross to show that He had paid the price for our sins?

9. Why was it so important that the soldiers pierced Jesus' side instead of breaking His legs?

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Questions from Week 10.

10. What did Peter and John find in the grave? _____
11. What do we see in John 20 that makes Christ different from other religious leaders?

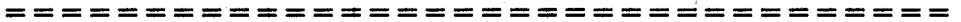
12. To whom did Jesus appear first after He rose? _____
13. How did Jesus greet the disciples when He appeared to them? _____

14. What did Thomas say when Jesus showed him His hands and side? _____

15. When Jesus appeared to the seven disciples by the sea, what did He help them to do?

16. If we want to fish for men today, what must we do when Jesus speaks to us?

17. From Jesus' words to Peter in John 21, how can we show our love to Him?



Be sure to go back to the revision days on pages 82, 147 and 195. Let these teachings sink deep into your heart.

We have enjoyed writing these lessons for you. May your faith be strong in Jesus, the Son of God!

These are special books to be used in Theological Education by Extension (TEE). Some churches are asking questions, such as:

Which books should we teach?

What courses lead to ordination??

What books are for first year or second year courses???

Let me answer the first two questions this way--Your church must decide those things! Churches set their own standards and requirements. Passing courses does NOT make a person a church leader. A leader should have a holy life. He must be able to DO the work of God. He must be called of God and approved by the church. Our desire is that these books used in teaching through TEE help the churches to equip their leaders and workers.

When the books are used in TEE classes students should do ALL the work in the book. They should attend the weekly discussion meetings, pass examinations, and use what they learn in an a place of ministry for the church. The extension courses may be accepted in a resident Bible School curriculum. All leadership training--by extension or in residence--should be guided and approved by the church.

To answer the third question above the following guidelines are given:

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Following Jesus

New Testament Survey 1

New Testament Survey 2

New Testament Survey 3

Bringing People to Jesus

Talking With God

Looking at the Old Testament 1

Looking at the Old Testament 2

Looking at the Old Testament 3

Looking at the Old Testament 4

INTERMEDIATE BOOKS --these are more difficult and build on the elementary books:

John

Life of Christ 1

Life of Christ 2

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