

YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP II

Text : John, 1 John

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INTRODUCTION TO THE STUDY OF 1 JOHN

BACKGROUND TO THE LIFE OF JOHN THE DISCIPLE

1. John was a disciple of John the baptist (John 1:35-39)
 - a. One of the two disciples who stood next to John the Baptist
 - b. John the Baptist introduced Jesus to John
"Behold the Lamb of God!" John 1:36
 - c. They heard Him speak and followed Him
 - d. They had a special interaction with Jesus
 - e. They remained with Jesus in His house
2. John was hot-tempered (Mark 3:17, Luke 9:52-55)
 - a. Known as sons of thunder with his brother James
 - b. When the Samaritans did not receive Jesus, they were angry
 - c. They asked Jesus whether He wanted them to call fire from heaven to consume them
 - d. The Lord Jesus rebuked them for their wrong manner of spirit
 - e. Character still had to be dealt with
 - f. No full understanding yet
3. He was the disciple whom Jesus loved (John 13:23-26)
 - a. He was leaning on the bosom of Jesus
 - b. When Peter wanted to know who would betray Jesus, he asked John to asked Him
 - c. Jesus told John that it was the person whom He would give a piece of bread
 - d. Jesus gave the bread to Judas
4. John's testimony of Jesus' death (John 19:35-37)
 - a. He has seen the Lord Jesus death and testified that it is true
 - b. He knows that He is telling the truth
 - c. So that we may believe

- d. The Scriptures were fulfilled
- 5. John seeing the empty tomb and believed what Mary said (John 20:3-10)
 - a. He ran to the tomb
 - b. He saw the empty tomb with the linen cloths and the handkerchief folded by itself.
- 6. John and the disciples saw Jesus in person (John 20:20-21)
 - a. They were glad that they saw Jesus
 - b. They were filled with the Holy Spirit
- 7. John and Peter wanted to go back fishing (John 21)
 - a. John was specially restored to the Lord Jesus
 - b. John would be the only disciple would not be martyred

ANALYSIS OF JOHN'S LIFE

- 1. Spent three years with Jesus
- 2. Deeply impacted
- 3. Faith relevant and important
- 4. Good changes
- 5. Life transformed

PURPOSE IN WRITING JOHN

“And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.” John 21:30-31

- 1. Knowledge
- 2. Faith
- 3. Relationship
- 4. Life