

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

Term 3 2023

Course Introduction

Welcome to term 3 of 2023 TrainingWORKS - School of Ministry!

This course (a PTC level 2/3 elective unit) focuses solely on **John's Gospel**, examining its distinctive content and style. Through a close reading of the text, the distinctive features of John that are drawn out include the concepts of 'life' and 'discipleship'. Specifically, what does it mean to 'live' or 'abide' in Jesus, and what does being a disciple of Jesus actually require?

- The aim of this course is that through the study of John's Gospel we might receive a renewed understanding of our faith and strengthen and encourage us in our Christ-centred lives.
- A second aim for us will be to deepen our theological understanding of the eternal identity of Jesus.
- A final aim of this course is for us to enjoy fellowship with one another as we study and talk about these things together.

Class dates and Studies

Face-to-Face Sessions – at LMAP Blaxland (16 Taringha St) 1pm-2.30
 Online Recordings (*available the week following the face-to-face Session*)
 – at YouTube LMAPTV > Playlist 'LMAP TrainingWORKS'

Date	Unit	Topic	Chapters
8 th Oct	1	The Word of God becomes flesh	John 1
15 th Oct	2	From Cana to Cana	John 2-4
22 nd Oct	3	Deciding about Jesus	John 5-6
29 th Oct	4	The light of the world	John 7-9
5 th Nov	5	My sheep hear my voice	John 10-12
12 th Nov	6	Abide in me	John 13:1-15:17
19 th Nov	7	In that day	John 15:18-17:26
26 th Nov	8	In my place condemned he stood	John 18:1-19:42
3 rd Dec	9	Resurrection	John 20:1-21:23
10 th Dec	10	A fourth Gospel	

Following these seminars (at your convenience) – Optional Online Exam.

Moore College

Once you are registered, Moore College will provide you with a link to its online learning platform. It is here where you will find the core notes for *Early Church History*. Additionally, there are exercises, chat forums and other resources which are designed to assist you with the course (if you choose to use them). At the end of the course, the optional online exam will be administered through this portal.

Resource Books

For most of the *Preliminary Theological Certificate* (PTC) subjects the *New Bible Dictionary* (J. D. Douglas, (ed.), Leicester: IVP, 2nd ed. 1992) is a recommended text.

Other reference works that might be helpful include:

Alexander, T. D. & Rosner, Brian S. (ed.s) *New Dictionary of Biblical Theology*. Downers Grove: IVP, 2000.

Carson D. A. & Moo, Douglas J. *An Introduction to the New Testament*. Nottingham: IVP, 1992.

Other books may be recommended along the way, but the following commentaries might also be helpful.

Barnett, P. *John: The Shepherd King*. Reading the Bible Today Series. Sydney: Aquila Press, 2005.

Kruse, Colin G. *John*. Tyndale New Testament Commentaries. Leicester: IVP, 2008.

Moody, Josh. *John 1-12 for you*. God's Word For You series. India: The Good Book Company, 2017.

Moody, Josh. *John 13-24 for you*. God's Word For You series. India: The Good Book Company, 2021.

More detailed:

Carson, D. *The Gospel According to John*. Pillar New Testament Commentary. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1991.

Kostenberger, Andreas J. *John*. Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament. Grand Rapids: Baker Academic, 2004.

Morris, Leon. *The Gospel According to John*. NICNT series. Grand Rapids: Eerdmans, 1995.

Looking forward to spending this time with you all and praying that it will be a time of great fellowship and growth in the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gary.