

(MIS)UNDERSTANDING
JESUS

A READING GUIDE
FOR THE
GOSPEL OF JOHN

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide is designed to help you read through **the entire Gospel of John** over the course of the sermon series. If you follow all three summer reading guides, you will have read all of John's writings in the Bible! As you plan your summer, consider the rhythms and habits you want to cultivate with this goal in mind.

Each week's readings will move you from the passage covered in Sunday's sermon through the book and toward the next week's sermon text. Some weeks include shorter or repeated readings, especially when the next sermon is in the following chapter. Other weeks may have longer sections to help cover more ground.

Saturdays are intentionally set aside for re-reading the whole text covered that week—an opportunity to slow down, reflect, and let the text sink in. Consider reading outside this day or over coffee with a friend. Maybe re-visit some of the grounded practices from the fall.

As you read, consider paying attention to the “**brushstrokes**,” larger themes or images that you notice— what words do John use over and over, what does he choose to include in his gospel, what seems to be his over-all impression of Jesus. Also notice where you have a hard time understanding what Jesus is trying to say about God and his Kingdom. Make note of those places of (mis)Understanding and talk about them with your family group or a group of friends through the series.

You will need either a physical Bible or the Bible App. A notebook or journal is also recommended, as it can help you process, reflect, and track patterns you notice along the way. Each page of this guide will have the following four questions listed to help as you read:

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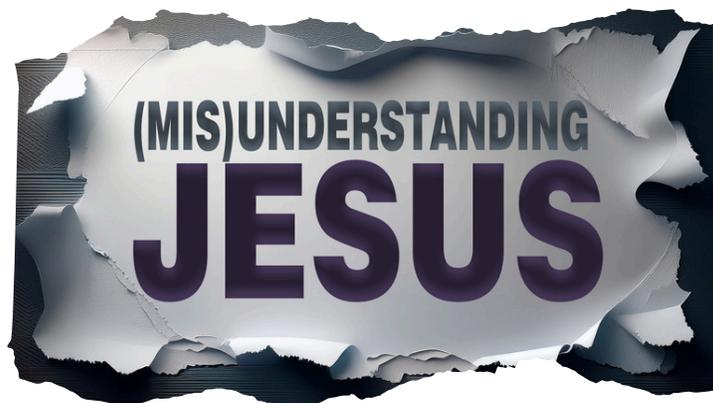
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WEEK 1

JOHN 1

MON, APRIL 13 (JOHN 1:1-18)

TUES, APRIL 14 (JOHN 1:19-28)

WED, APRIL 15 (JOHN 1:29-34)

THUR, APRIL 16 (JOHN 1:35-42)

FRI, APRIL 17 (JOHN 1:43-51)

SAT, APRIL 18 (RE-READ JOHN 1)



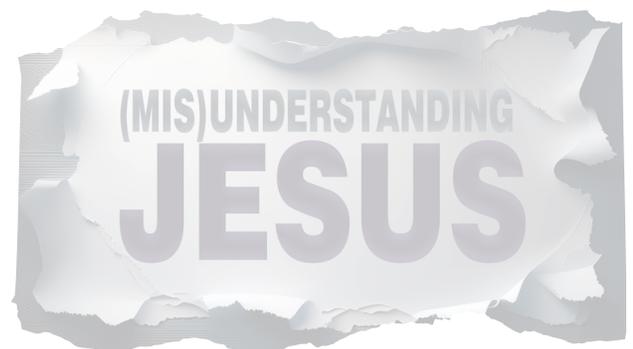
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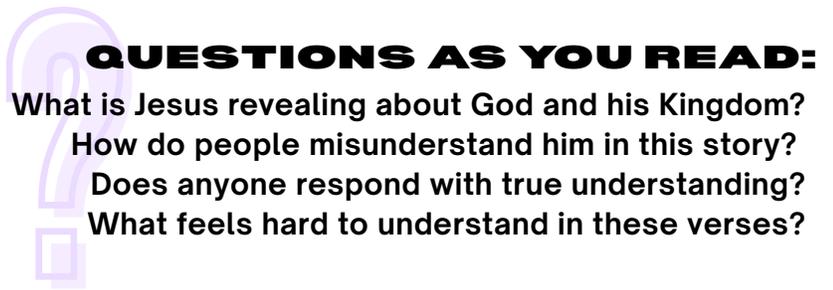
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MON, APRIL 20 (JOHN 2:1-12)

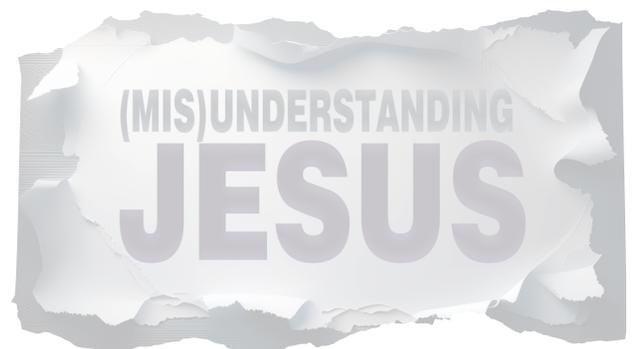
TUES, APRIL 21 (JOHN 2:1-12)

WED, APRIL 22 (JOHN 2:13-25)

THUR, APRIL 23 (JOHN 2:13-25)

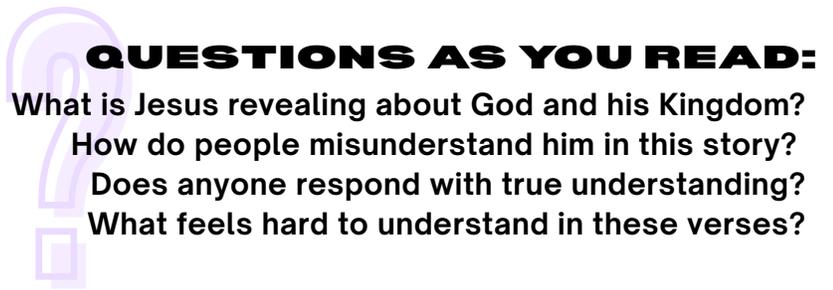
FRI, APRIL 24 (JOHN 2)

SAT, APRIL 25 (RE-READ JOHN 1 & 2)



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JOHN 3



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MON, APRIL 27(JOHN 3:1-21)

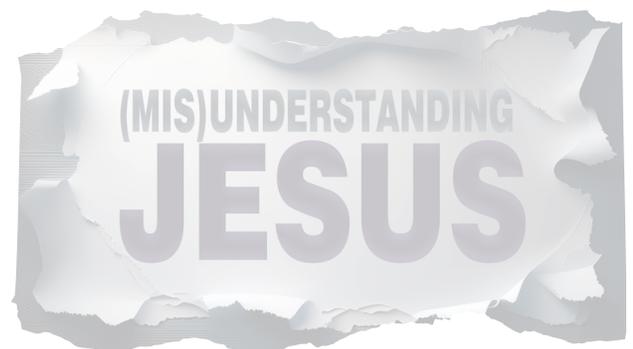
TUES, APRIL 28(JOHN 3:1-21)

WED, APRIL 29(JOHN 3:22-36)

THUR, APRIL 30(JOHN 3:22-36)

FRI, MAY 1(JOHN 3)

SAT, MAY 2(RE-READ JOHN 1-3)



WEEK 4

JOHN 4-5

MON, MAY 4 (JOHN 4:1-42)

TUES, MAY 5 (JOHN 4:43-54)

WED, MAY 6 (JOHN 5:1-15)

THUR, MAY 7 (JOHN 5:16-30)

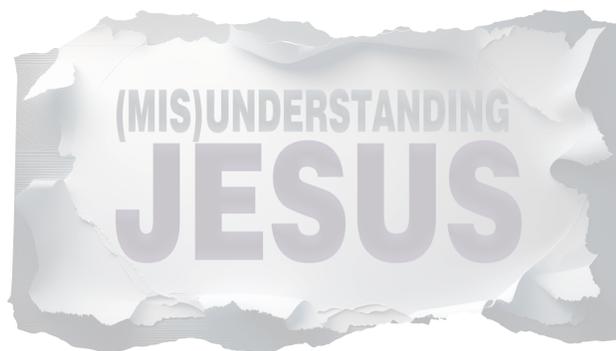
FRI, MAY 8 (JOHN 5:31-47)

SAT, MAY 9 (RE-READ JOHN 4-5)



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WEEK 5

JOHN 6-7

MON, MAY 11 (JOHN 6:1-24)

TUES, MAY 12 (JOHN 6:25-59)

WED, MAY 13 (JOHN 6:60-71)

THUR, MAY 14 (JOHN 7:1-24)

FRI, MAY 15 (JOHN 7:25-52)

SAT, MAY 16 (RE-READ JOHN 6-7)



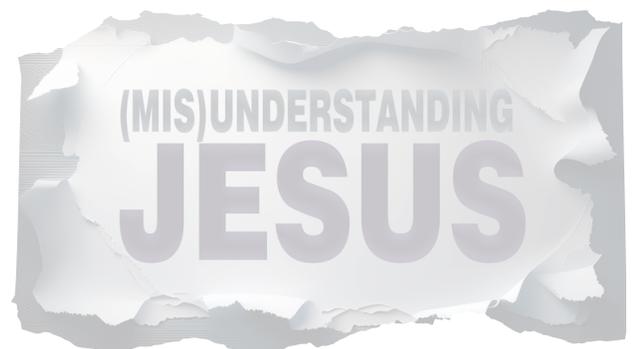
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MON, MAY 18 (JOHN 8:1-11)

TUES, MAY 19 (JOHN 8:12-20)

WED, MAY 20 (JOHN 8:21-30)

THUR, MAY 21 (JOHN 8:31-47)

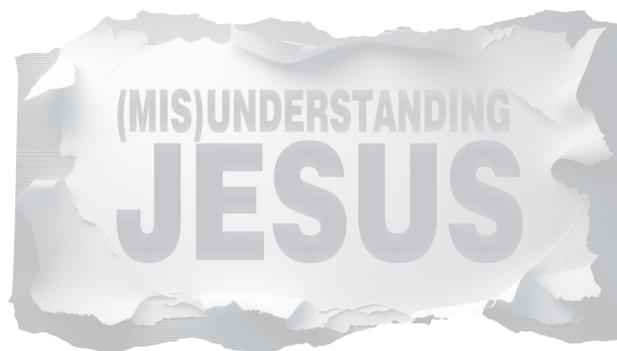
FRI, MAY 22 (JOHN 8:48-59)

SAT, MAY 23 (RE-READ JOHN 8)



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WEEK 7

JOHN 9

MON, MAY 25 (JOHN 9:1-12)

TUES, MAY 26 (JOHN 9:1-12)

WED, MAY 27 (JOHN 9:13-34)

THUR, MAY 28 (JOHN 9:13-34)

FRI, MAY 29 (JOHN 9:35-41)

SAT, MAY 30 (RE-READ JOHN 8 & 9)



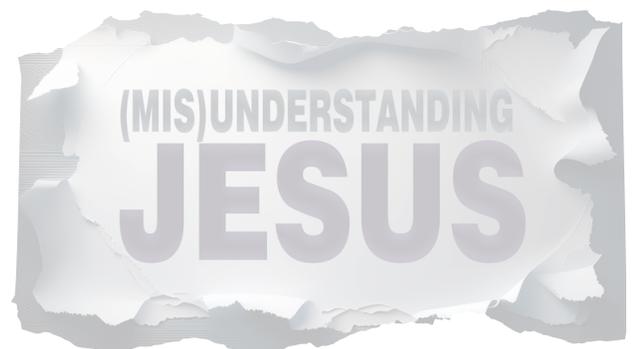
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WEEK 8

JOHN 10-12

MON, JUNE 1 (JOHN 10:1-42)

TUES, JUNE 2 (JOHN 11:1-44)

WED, JUNE 3 (JOHN 11:45-57)

THUR, JUNE 4 (JOHN 12:1-19)

FRI, JUNE 5 (JOHN 12:10-50)

SAT, JUNE 6 (RE-READ JOHN 10-12)



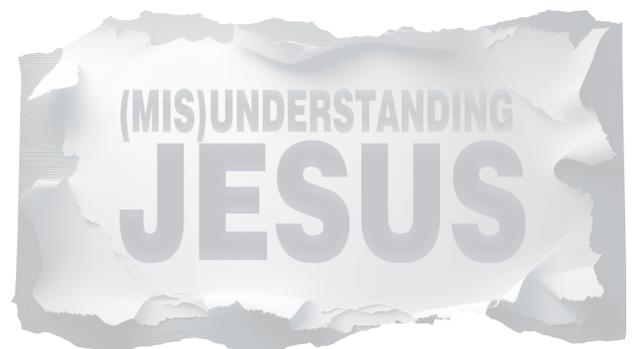
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JOHN 13-14

MON, JUNE 8 (JOHN 13:1-17)

TUES, JUNE 9 (JOHN 13:1-17)

WED, JUNE 10 (JOHN 13:18-38)

THUR, JUNE 11 (JOHN 14:1-14)

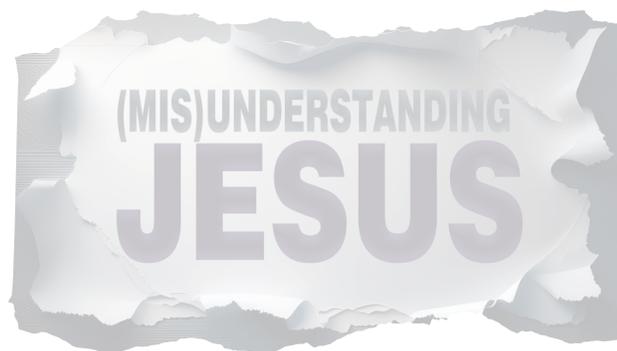
FRI, JUNE 12 (JOHN 14:15-31)

SAT, JUNE 13 (READ JOHN 13-14)



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WEEK 10

JOHN 15-18:27

MON, JUNE 15 (JOHN 15:1-17)

TUES, JUNE 16 (JOHN 15:18-16:15)

WED, JUNE 17 (JOHN 16:16-33)

THUR, JUNE 18 (JOHN 17:1-26)

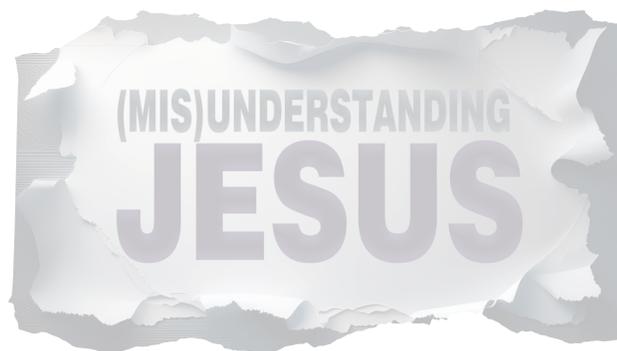
FRI, JUNE 19 (JOHN 18:1-27)

SAT, JUNE 20 (RE-READ JOHN 15-18:27)



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JOHN 18-20

MON, JUNE 22 (JOHN 18:28-19:16)

TUES, JUNE 23 (JOHN 19:16-42)

WED, JUNE 24 (JOHN 20:1-18)

THUR, JUNE 25 (JOHN 20:19-29)

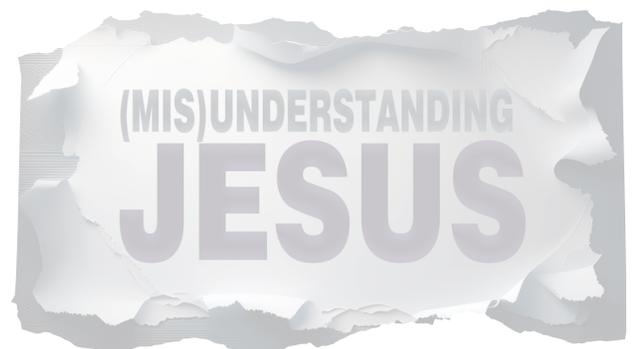
FRI, JUNE 26 (JOHN 20:30-31)

SAT, JUNE 20 (RE-READ JOHN 18:27-20:31)



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JOHN 21

MON, JUNE 29 (JOHN 21:1-14)

TUES, JUNE 30 (JOHN 21:1-14)

WED, JULY 1 (JOHN 21:15-25)

THUR, JULY 2 (JOHN 21:15-25)

FRI, JULY 3 (JOHN 21)

SAT, JULY 4 (RE-READ THE GOSPEL OF JOHN)



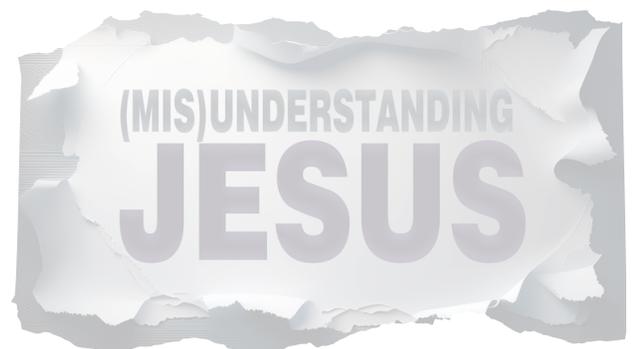
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YOU DID IT!

YOU READ THE WHOLE GOSPEL- TAKE A MOMENT TO NOTE WHAT YOU ARE TAKING AWAY FROM THE YOUR TIME WITH JOHN THE BELOVED AND JESUS

QUESTIONS AS YOU REFLECT:

(How did John's portrayal of Jesus—His identity, character, and purpose—shape or reshape your understanding of who Jesus is?)

(Which of Jesus' signs, teachings, or encounters in John's Gospel stood out to you the most, and why do you think it impacted you that way?)

(What themes (light vs. darkness, belief, eternal life, love, truth, etc.) resonated with you most deeply, and how might they influence the way you live or see the world?)

(Ask the Spirit to bring to mind one or two friends who might be ready to hear the new understanding of Jesus you've gained.)

WANT TO KEEP READING? SCAN HERE FOR THE NEXT READING GUIDE IN JOHN'S LETTERS.

