

these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that by believing you may have life in His name.

John 20:31



## Why the Gospel?

Series: Gospel of John, #32

John 20:1 – 21:25

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**Theme: The gospel is God's power for salvation to everyone who believes.**

**Written so that you may believe the truth about Jesus Christ.**

1. Two essential facts to believe. (20:31)
2. Essential evidence for the facts. (chapters 20 & 21)

**Written so that you may have life in Jesus Christ.**

1. What life? (20:31; 3:15-16, 17:3)
2. The statements. (20:31; 3:15-16, 10:10, 11:25-26, 14:6, 1 John 5:11-12)
3. The implications. (20:15-24, 10:10, 6:39-40)

## In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.)

**Monday.** Yesterday we completed our trek through John's Gospel. John states the purpose of the gospel in 20:30-31. As you reflect on that statement, zoom in on the two essential facts that he wanted people to believe—what are they? What do they mean? Why are they essential?

**Tuesday.** There is a steady stream of evidence for John's claims for Christ throughout the gospel. Walk through just the last two chapters (20 & 21), referring to any notes you made on Sunday, and list the evidences you find here.

**Wednesday.** John wrote so that believing in Jesus Christ “you may have life in His name” (20:31). What *life* is he talking about? Check the references on the outline about this *life*, and write out your own brief description.

**Thursday.** There are many wonderful implications of having life from and with Jesus. Read the references on the outline, and then list the implications you find. What other benefits can you add to this list? Spend time in prayer thanking God that Jesus did come and accomplish all of this for you and for whoever believes in Him.

**Friday - Saturday.** On Sunday we plan to begin looking at a few parables of Jesus. The first one is *God's great invitation* found in Matthew 22:1-14. Read and think through this parable in preparation for our time of worship together.