**Pinnacle Gospel of John Club Talk Plans**

We will go through the Gospel of John this year in the Fall and Spring. In order to cover the gospel progression we prefer we will separate the odd chapters for the Fall and the even chapters for the Spring (except for John 17-20). We are planning for 10-12 clubs per semester.

**Fall**

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| Week 1 | John 1 | Incarnation | * The Word became flesh 1:1-18, esp. 1:14 * The first disciples 1:35-46, esp. “Follow me” (1:43), and “Come and see” (1:46) as introductions to consider Jesus |
| Week 2 | John 3 | Person of Christ  (changing lives) | * Jesus and Nicodemus, 3:1-21, esp. 3:16 and 3:17 * For campaigners 3:30 also |
| Week 3 | John 5 | Person of Christ (healing) | * Jesus heals at the pool 5:1-15, esp. 8-9 |
| Week 4 | John 7 | Person of Christ (divinity) | * This is a challenging chapter to speak from for club. I would suggest a theme of “Jesus’ deadly claims”, along the lines of religious people coming against him for claiming his relationship to God and as God.   + Jesus at a huge annual national festival   + Jesus’ teaching from God 7:16   + Jesus came from God 7:28-29, 30   + Their response 7:45-46 |
| Week 5 | John 9 | Person of Christ (healing) | * Jesus heals a man born blind (9:1-41), esp. 5-11 * See also 9:25, 36-38 |
| Week 6 | John 11 | Person of Christ (power over death) | * Death and raising Lazarus from the dead 11:1-44   + Death 11:1-16   + Jesus the resurrection 11:25-26   + Lazarus raised 11:38-44 |
| Week 7 | John 13 | Person of Christ and/or Sin | * Jesus washes the disciples feet 13:1-17, esp 13:8. For campaigners 9:15-17 * Sin: Judas betraying Jesus 13:18-30, esp 21 * Sin: Peter’s denial 13:31-38, esp. 37-38 |
| Week 8 | John 15 | Sin | * Vine and the branches 15:1-17   + Sin: 15:2, 6   + God’s heart to be connected 15:5, 8 |
| Week 9 | John 17/19 | Cross | * Prayer in the garden: 17:11a, add 24 * Jesus sentenced and crucifixion: 19:1-42, esp 19:30 |
| Week 10 | John 20 | Resurrection | * The empty tomb 20:1-9 * Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene 20:10-18, esp 16a * Jesus appears to the disciples 20:19-23, esp 20 * Jesus appears to doubting Thomas 20:24-30, esp 28-29 |
| Week 11 | John 21 | Following Christ | * The miraculous catch, Jn 21:1-14, esp 8-9, 12 * Jesus reinstates Peter, Jn 21:15-25, esp 15-17 |

**Spring**

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| Week 1 | John 2 | Person of Christ (divinity/miracle) | * Water to Wine 2:1-11 |
| Week 2 | John 4 | Person of Christ  (divinity/miracle) | * Living Water / Samaritan Woman 4:1-26 * OR Jesus heals the official’s son 4:43-54 |
| Week 3 | John 6 | Person of Christ  (divinity/miracle) | * Feeding the 5000 6:1-15 * Jesus walks on water 6:16-24 * Jesus the bread of life 6:35 (I Am)   \*Lots of options here, if you have more than 11 clubs this semester it might be a good chapter to do for two weeks |
| Week 4 | John 8 | Person of Christ  (grace & character of Christ) | * Woman caught in adultery 8:2-11 * Jesus the light of the world 8:12 (I Am) |
| Week 5 | John 10 | Person of Christ  (divinity) | * Jesus is the gate/door 10:9-10 (I Am) * Jesus is the good shepherd 10:11-15 (I Am) |
| Week 6 | John 12 | Person of Christ  (divinity) | * Jesus’ feet anointed with perfume 12:1-8 * Triumphal entry 12:12-19 * Jesus predicts his death and resurrection 12:20-33 |
| Week 7 | John 14 | Person of Christ  (divinity) | * Jesus is the way and the truth and the life 14:6 (I Am) * How Jesus lives... How we can live... Holy Spirit 14:8-10, 25 |
| Week 8 | John 16 | Person of Christ  (his future plan &sin/conviction) | * Jesus’ plan after death/resurrection... Sending the Holy Spirit 16:5-16   + Conviction of sin 16:8-9 |
| Week 9 | John 18/19 | Cross | * Jesus’ arrest and being before Pilate 18:1-11, 28-40 * Option: Barabbas focus 18:39-40 * Jesus sentenced and crucifixion: 19:1-42, esp 19:30 |
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The even chapters present some exciting and challenging passages for YL leaders to consider about Jesus and the way we present the gospel. Remember the gospel found in the Gospel of John *is* the gospel. When you are scratching your head saying, “how does this fit in a club talk?”... this is a good question to wrestle with; one that the author of scripture wants you to wrestle with! Remember good questions/challenges/problems don’t have quick answers. Just keep giving the kids Jesus!