

FAMILY TAKE-HOME · KIDS

The Man Who Was There

The Gospel of John: Why Should I Believe? · Week 00 · September 6, 2026

WHAT I LEARNED TODAY

John was one of Jesus' twelve friends. He saw Jesus do amazing things with his own eyes – he was at the Last Supper, at the cross, and at the empty tomb. When John was very old, he wrote it all down so that people who never met Jesus – like us – could know Him too.

Bible verse: “These are 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

TALK ABOUT IT AT DINNER

1. What is one amazing thing Jesus did that John saw with his own eyes?
Younger kids: turned water into wine, fed 5,000 people, walked on water, made a blind man see, brought Lazarus back to life.
2. Why do you think John wrote it all down?
Land here: so people who never saw Jesus could know Him too – that means us.
3. Jesus said “I AM” seven times – the Bread of Life, the Light of the World, the Door, the Good Shepherd, the Resurrection, the Way, the Vine. Which one does our family need most right now?
4. Pastor said, “Jesus didn’t come to fix your life. He came to give you His.” What do you think that means?
Older kids: His life never runs out, never fails, and starts now – not just in heaven someday.

WRITE IT DOWN

John never wrote his own name in his book. He just called himself “the disciple Jesus loved.” Finish this sentence: One true thing about me is...

One question I have about Jesus that I hope gets answered this year is...

FAMILY CHALLENGE

Before next Sunday, read John 1:1–5 together – it’s only five verses. Then have each person ask God one question out loud: “Who do You say You are?” Sit quietly for one minute. That’s where our whole year begins.

☐ We read John 1:1–5 ☐ We asked God the question ☐ I said the Bible verse

PRAY TOGETHER

“Dear God, thank You that John saw Jesus and wrote it down so we could believe. This year, help our family really know Jesus – not just know about Him. Amen.”

Next Sunday: In The Beginning was Jesus · John 1:1–5 · Daily devotional for parents at thesummit.life