

3. His exhortation to the Jews at the Feast of Tabernacles--J 7:14-19 6:25-58
4. The Parable of the Good Shepherd--J 10
5. The series of private exhortations to his disciples--J 14, 15, 16
6. His intercessory prayer--J 17
7. His meeting with the disciples at the Sea of Galilee--J 21

14. THE KEY VERSE FOR THE BOOK OF JOHN IS JOHN 20:31: "BUT THESE ARE WRITTEN, THAT YE MIGHT BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD; AND THAT BELIEVING YE MIGHT HAVE LIFE THROUGH HIS NAME." To inspire the faith in Jesus as the Son of God is the main emphasis in the Book of John, & the main theme is Faith & Eternal Life. John selects from the life of Jesus facts, teachings & works to inspire faith, which results in eternal life. John wrote down for us the things that Jesus said more than only what He did.

15. JOHN THE APOSTLE IS THE GOD-INSPIRED WRITER OF THIS GOSPEL & he is one of the most intimate of the friends of Jesus. He's the disciple "whom Jesus loved". (See John 13:23, 19:26, 20:2, 21:7,20.) John used to be in the fishing business & at one time Jesus called him as well as his brother, James. "The son of the one who thunder"; see Mark 3:17. John is also the one who was inspired to write the three Epistles, 1, 2 & 3 John, & who received Jesus' Revelation found in the Book of Revelation. Dad has taught us that the enemies of Christ tried to boil John to death in a huge pot of oil, but he wouldn't boil!! PT!! His ministry wasn't ended yet. He still had to receive the "Revelation".

16. IN THE BOOK OF JOHN, JESUS GIVES THE MOST COMPLETE REVELATION OF HIMSELF & OF GOD. (See the first three chapters). And especially in the fifth & sixth Chapters, Jesus declares Himself very often to be "sent from God".

17. AS SARA MENTIONED, IT IS WORTHWHILE TO MARK THE KEY VERSES OF CHAPTERS IN YOUR BIBLE. Here is a list of Key Verses for the Book of John taken from the Revolutionary Handbook:

- John 1:12--This means not everyone is the Son of God.
- John 1:14--The Word is Jesus; see Revelation 19:13.
- John 3:16--The Love of God.
- John 3:36--The Wrath of God.
- John 5:24--Eternal Salvation; see also John 6:37-39.
- John 6:27--Working & living for Jesus; see also Matthew 6:31-34.
- John 6:63--The Word is Spirit & Life;

see also John 8:12, Prov.6:23, Eph.6:17, John 7:7--Jesus talks about the World, John 8:47--The ungodly reject the Word, John 10:47--Following Jesus, John 12:26--Serving Jesus means following Him.

John 13:17--Obeying God makes happy! John 13:35--Loving your brother is a condition of discipleship.

John 14:21--Loving God is obeying the Word; see also 1John 2:5.

John 15:8--"Much fruit" is a condition of discipleship; see also Matthew 13:18.

John 15:19--We don't belong to the World. John 16:33--Jesus warns us about Tribulation in the World; see also 2Tim.3:12.

John 17:16,17--The Word separates us from the World.

John 17:21--Our togetherness proves God is with us.

John 20:21--We have been sent, just like Jesus; see also 1Peter 2:21.

JOHN 1: THE SON OF GOD  
18. USUALLY WHEN GIVING TECHI A BIBLE STORY I USE THE HAVLYN CHILDREN'S BIBLE (KJV) FOR HER, WHILE I USE MY BIBLE, THEN I USUALLY TELL HER WHICH BOOK OF THE BIBLE WE HAVE THE STORY OUT OF, WHERE WE READ OUT OF, SO SHE'S FAMILIAR WITH MATTHEW, MARK, LUKE & JOHN, AS WELL AS A FEW OTHER BOOKS OF THE BIBLE ALREADY. SHE LIKES FAITHY'S MOM "HEAVENLY SUNSHINE" SONG ABOUT THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE!

19. HERE'S A LITTLE POEM TO HELP REMEMBER THE FOUR GOSPELS:

"Matthew, Mark, Luke & John,  
The four Gospels,  
The Good News Song!"

Techi learned to read "Good News" & that this is what "Gospel" means.



20. WE HAD A CHANCE TO LEARN ABOUT THE NUMBER FOUR, posting on the wall the numerical four, learning how to trace it. (See Paul T.'s poems on how to write numbers

in KC Komix Mag Vol.2.) Some simple counting games: We place four of her friends (dollies & stuffed animals) next to the number card, or we count out four pistachios as a little snack. Out of a huge sample wallpaper book that Alf provided, we cut out four flowers, & after Techi plays with them & arranges them differently we glue them on next to number four. We made a number card with the number on one side & four grains of corn glued on the reverse side. And often throughout the following days we count out whenever we come across that number.

21. IN THIS FIRST CHAPTER OF JOHN WE CONCENTRATED ON TWO MAIN SUBJECTS: THE first one Jesus, the Lamb of God & the second one about Jesus & HIS DISCIPLES. I will first list the things I did with Techi & then give a short list of ideas which could be used with older children. Dad tells in "Bible Reading for Children" (ML687) how he used to teach his children straight from the Bible. In giving Bible stories to our children, each parent & helper learns quickly what their little ones respond to the best & are most attentive about.

22. MAINLY TALKING SLOWLY & USUALLY STRAIGHT KJV BIBLE LANGUAGE, YET INVOLVING DETAILS OR FURTHER EXPLANATIONS AS WELL AS DRAMATISING THE STORY is what captures Techi's interests--& when you're through with the story she'll reward you by asking for it "Again, dramatisation or can be told as excitingly as other stories; nevertheless you will learn with practice how to capture your children's attention with all the vital lessons from the Word. Since Techi is 16 months old, she'd sit still for quite some time to listen--when it involves the Word, while all other schooling subjects need much more action & stimulation on our part to make it interesting enough for her to listen.

23. USING A FLANNELGRAPH, I READ & TOLD TECHI THE STORY OF JESUS' BAPTISM. First we reviewed the story of who John the Baptist was, which she knew from earlier Bible teachings, & we talked about how John lived, that he was a prophet to prepare the people for Jesus as it says in Mark 1:2. That same chapter describes how John is dressed & how he eats wild honey & locusts & lives in the wilderness. 24. IN OUR STORY, (WHICH COULD BE TAUGHT BY USING A POSTER OR PICTURE JUST AS WELL),

we memorised John 1:29: "Behold the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the World". We had this story over three days & ended our lesson with making a poster "Jesus, the Lamb of God". Techi had lots of fun making the Lamb using cotton wool.



Little children can easily picture a pure, white gentle Lamb, (often it's one of their favourite cuddle animals) you can tell them how precious Jesus is--God's Lamb--perfect, without sin. And God gave Jesus, His Lamb, as a gift to us, to die for us & save us. (Also see ML 972, par. 230.)

25. NOW THERE IS A WHOLE LOT MORE OLDER CHILDREN CAN DO, starting with the very first verses in John 1 to memorise, emphasising that Jesus was there from the beginning & had a hand in creating the universe. Memory work would be John 1:1-10, 12,14. Also the MO Quote "Jesus is the Light of the World. Only in Him there is Light." (3:12) Cross references to those first verses in John 1 are Genesis 1:1 [starting with the words "In the beginning", just like John 1:1]; Ephesians 6:17 talks about the sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God; & John 1:7:5 which again says that Jesus was with God from the beginning, before the World was. 26. HERE IS AN EXERCISE WHICH CAN BE DONE BY CHILDREN CAPABLE OF RESEARCH WORK & WRITING. It goes through the whole Book of John, list for each chapter the names given to Jesus. For John Chapter 1, this list would look as follows: The Names of Jesus, John 1:1: The Word; God; the True Light; the only begotten Son; Jesus Christ; the Lamb of God; The Son of God; Rabbi; Master; Messiah; the Christ; Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph; King of Israel; the Son of Man.