

# THE STORY Q's

2017: YEAR OF BIBLICAL LITERACY



## THE WORD SPOKE

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# GOD WITH US

What a concept. For the past year we have been studying the Old Testament and God's revelation of himself to and through His people, the Jews. He has appeared in fire, smoke, through His prophets, and His tablets of stone. Now, in the Gospel of John, we see the Father revealing Himself and His glory through His son who is; described as "The express image of his being."

It is as if God has been working behind the scenes, directing a play that He himself has written. He has pushed His prophets and leaders onto the stage at different times, with certain tasks and lines to say. But now in the Gospels, the author Himself appears.

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## THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

There are two verses that we said are key to understanding the Gospel of John. One comes from the writer of Hebrews, who describes Jesus as the Father's ultimate revelation of Himself to mankind:

HEBREWS 1: 1-3 / In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.

The other is found at the end of John's Gospel written by eyewitnesses of his life:

JOHN 20: 30-31 / Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

There seems to be a progression here that is important... We are told what Jesus did, His miraculous signs, John hoping this would lead us to believe, and that by believing it would lead us into real life. "From our heads to our heart to our feet" in following.

**Q1** Can you describe your faith journey in terms of "from your head to your heart to your feet"?

**Q2** What does it mean to “have life in His name”?  
Referring to John 20:31

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## A TRUTH-LESS WORLD?

*“A truth-less world is unbearable because it’s not a truth-less world.”*

TIMOTHY KELLER / PASTOR

**Q3** What do you think Keller is saying here?  
Do you think our society has tried to be “post-truth”? What has that done?

**Q4** How would your life change if you truly believed everything you found in the Gospel of John?

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## SO IF IT’S TRUE...

**Q5** So if it’s true... that Jesus gives meaning to life, then what will you make your life about?

**Q6** So if it’s true... that Jesus is the ultimate authority, then how do we respond?