

The Gospel according to John DESCRIPTIVE SHEET

Author

John, the brother of James and the apostle of Jesus Christ is the author of the Gospel of John. He is sometimes identified as "the disciple whom Jesus loved" or "the beloved disciple" (John 13:23-24; 19:26; 20:2; 21:7, 20, 24).

Date

According to tradition, the apostle John wrote his account between the years 80-90.

Core theme

His approach consisted of presenting Jesus as "the Son of God", in other words "God", while also showing his humanity. Christ is fully God and fully man.

Target audience

John was addressing a Jewish and, perhaps, partly Gentile audience.

Outline of the book

- 1. The Incarnation of the Son of God (John 1:1-18);
- 2. The Presentation of the Son of God (John 1:19-4:54);
- 3. Opposition to the Son of God (John 5:1-12:50);
- 4. The Son of God prepares His disciples (John 13:1-17:26);
- 5. The death of the Son of God (John 18:1-19:16);
- 6. The resurrection of the Son of God (John 19:38-21:23);
- 7. Conclusion. (John 21:24-25)