

# John

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- [ 0 : 00 ] As the Lord may be pleased to help me, friends, I will direct your attention to John's Gospel, chapter 4, verse 29. Come, see a man which told me all things that ever I did.
- Is not this the Christ? The 29th verse, the 4th chapter of John's Gospel. Come, see a man which told me all things that ever I did.
- Is not this the Christ? It is good to have a desire to find Jesus. Have you?
- You, you who have come into his courts tonight, is there something in your heart that the Lord knows about?
- A desire to find him, the Son of the living God, who came into this world to find you?
- [ 1 : 17 ] Oh, here's the great matter, friends. So many have religion today. I'm afraid of that myself often. But I'm one of them that just has religion.
- Religion in my head. And sometimes it is laid upon me in such a heavy way. For there seems to be a reason for believing that this may well be so.
- For I have a number of engagements week in and week out that take me among a religious people.
- And sometimes there's that within me that says, and that's all it amounts to. You've got yourself into such a place you can't get out of it.
- It's a dark place, friends. But sometimes I see mercy in it. In that it creates an exercise.
- [ 2 : 24 ] And this will be your mercy too, if there are those things from time to time that rise up in your mind and make you consider.
- But I say again, in this solemn day, there are many who have a religion without any exercise in it. And that religion, if it is found only in the flesh, the outcome must be death.
- The people of God have an exercise, friends. And this exercise is not something that belongs to this week and is forgotten next.
- The exercise of the people of God runs something like this. Shall I endure to the end? Do you know anything about it?
- Well, the character in our text, friends, is one who finds Christ, can't live without him.
- [ 3 : 41 ] And this character is a sinner saved by free and sovereign grace. The same character as actually is in this chapter.
- One to whom the Lord Jesus comes. Of his own free will, choice, pleasure.
- For Jesus, it is recorded in this chapter, must needs go through Samaria. And the object, it was an eternal object, was to find a poor woman and to tell her what she was.
- And this same work will go on to the end of the world. For this God, with whom you and I have to do, has a people.
- A people loved, her time began, loved in Christ. And this people, in the eternal mind of a triune Jehovah, God the Father, Son and Spirit, set them apart.

[ 4 : 59 ] And that people, every one of them, every individual member of that people, are called by free and sovereign grace in the time state.

Called, I say, my friends, called by the Spirit of God. They don't come into religion. They don't find their own way.

They're called out of nature's darkness, according to eternal purpose. And that purpose is to reveal Christ to them.

As the way of salvation. That purpose is to open to their understanding. And I say that very definitely. To their understanding.

It's not a hearsay. It's not something casual. But it is something that is opened up to them. Unfolded to them.

[ 5 : 59 ] By the eternal Spirit of God. And that is the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Which cleanseth from all sin.

Real religion, friends. Is more the notion. And that's not just repetition of a man's words. Real religion is that which causes a sinner to anchor upon the finished work of Christ.

Real religion takes that one through a world of sin. But keeps him in safety.

That he shall endure in all that he passes through. And enter into that which hath been eternally decreed he should come into.

The fullness of glory. The fullness of glory. Procured before he was born. By a precious Christ. Do you know anything of these things, friends?

[ 7 : 06 ] According to the teaching of the Spirit. Not just found in the house of God. And hearing some poor man tell you about it.

But do you know anything of this record in our chapter? Jesus meeting with you as a sinner.

And opening up to your understanding that you are a sinner. With this poor woman when he met with her.

When he told her to call her husband. It wasn't a chance word. It was to open that which she knew.

And she was to know that he knew. She'd had five husbands. She had no husband now. And Jesus revealed that he knew about it.

[ 8 : 09 ] And with his people. Those who shall without a doubt. Enter into glory. Ultimately. He opens unto them.

What they are. You come there sinner. It is so easy to take hold of the word of God. In your head. It is so easy to listen to a minister repeat from time to time.

Scripture. The word of God declares. And is emphasized by the Spirit of God. To a chosen vessel of mercy.

The heart is deceitful above all things. And desperately wicked. It becomes known. We can hear ten thousand times.

Sitting in a pew. And it can pass into one ear and out of the other. But when the Lord reveals.

[ 9 : 11 ] To a sinner what he is. It is into his heart. And there is there the application. As it was with the prophet to David.

Thou art the man. He will make you pray sinner. So we would trace the way again. A little while.

For this character. Called by free and sovereign grace. Has a knowledge made over to him. That sin is an abomination in the sight of a holy God.

His sin. Again my friends. It would be clear. It is so easy isn't it. Look over your shoulder. And find the other sinner. It is so easy to look at others. To judge them. Sometimes harshly.

[ 10 : 12 ] It is a great matter. When the Lord God. Reveals to one. It is your sin.

It will make you pray. God help me. Ever prayed like that? Not God help them. God help me.

God be merciful to me. A sinner. Lord speak into my poor soul. Lord reveal Christ.

This is what comes friends. From such a cry. For the spirit of God. Not only reveals sin. But reveals the way of deliverance.

A precious Christ. And that shed blood. Which putteth away all sin. Do you know anything of him?

[ 11 : 17 ] Anything friends. For from time to time. With such and one. The enemy comes in like a flood.

This great adversary. Who knows. Every chosen vessel of mercy. When the spirit of God. Touches that one.

The poet has it. Satan trembles. When he sees. The weakest saint. Upon his knees.

He knows. There is intercourse. With the living God. He hates. This character. Comes in. From time to time.

Like a flood. Sometimes. He suggests. The experience. Is so thin. So poor. Such and one.

[ 12 : 17 ] Is destitute. The rest of the world. Is destitute of grace. I say again. My friends. Do you pray? Truly pray.

Has there been a real exercise. In your heart? Speak Lord. Satisfy my poor soul.

Appeal Lord. The poet says. Wrath wrestling prayer. In prayer. Can wonders through. Bring relief. In deeper straits.

And this. Is not theory. Friends. It is a living reality. With the people of God. They pray in the spirit. That exercise.

In the heart. Springs. From a God. Who has determined. There shall be an answer. For such and one. Shall come forth.

[ 13 : 15 ] A witness. That he is. The living God. And that Jesus lives. Do you know anything. Of this way.

Friends. A praying soul. Such and one. Will never go to hell. For the Lord God.

When he begins a work. He finishes it. He finishes it. And the work of the spirit. In the sinner's heart. To cause him to turn.

Unto Christ. The saviour of sinners. Must be completed. In salvation.

My friends. If the Lord. Has taught you. How to pray. The way. Won't be easy. You know what it is.

[ 14 : 14 ] The word of the poet. The flesh. Dislikes. The way. You've got a rough way. Have you? And we would very quickly.

Tell you. Because you've got a rough way. You won't go to heaven. You won't go to heaven. That's not. The reason for it. But the children of God.

Whom he deals with. Because he loves them. The pathway. Will be. A wilderness journey. Why?

Why? Because my friends. There must essentially. Be a separation. From an evil world. The spirit of God.

Will make a difference. Between you. And the world. He'll make you a new creature. He'll turn your thoughts.

[ 15 : 16 ] From time to time. Heaven would. The world won't love you. Satan. Will hate you. And your flesh.

Won't enjoy it. From time to time. There will be a living evidence. In every believer. Two armies have seen.

The new man of grace. The old man of sin. Still alive. There will be a warfare. This way you are.

Poor sinner. In a warfare. Our text says. Come. See a man. Which told me all things.

That ever I did. And. If this. Blessed man. Is in your life. Poor sinner. Consider him.

[ 16 : 17 ] Hearken. Who he is. The eternal son of God. He who dwells. In the highest heavens.

But whose eye. Is continually. Upon his people. Who loves them. With an everlasting love. Who will never leave.

Nor forsake. In whom. There can never be. Any condemnation. Towards. This character.

For he's put away. Their sins. As far as the east is. From the west. He's bought them. With a price. His shed.

Precious blood. He's made peace. With God. Forever. For them. Do you know. This man.

[ 17 : 18 ] How do you know him. Sinner. Oh. It is good. To be concerned. About the way. For I tell you this.

If you can find. If you can find. Some evidence. Of the living God. In your pathway. It's going to be well. While life endures.

And well. When called to die. In spite of the opposition. Come. See a man. Which told me all things. That ever I did.

Tis the same Jesus. Who met with that poor leper. In the days of his flesh. Lord. If thou wilt.

Thou canst make me clean. This is the man. This precious man. Who waits to be gracious still.

[ 18 : 14 ] And you're still a sinner. Aren't you? Can't keep in the right road. Long can you. The children of God.

Know this to be true. For that great adversary. Who goes about. Like a roaring lion. Knows all about you.

Doesn't he? He knows. What's in your heart. He knows. The tendencies. That are in your. Ruined nature.

Your neighbor. May not know it. But Satan. Knows it. And he brings it out. At times. Doesn't he? The Lord.

Knows that. Again. Men. May not know it. You have to pray still. Don't you sinner? You have to tell him your case.

[ 19 : 13 ] Again and again. Don't you? God help me. Have mercy upon me Lord. Come see a man.

This precious Jesus. Full of compassion. Loves you with an everlasting love. Still the same Jesus.

Who can and will. Say. Be thou clean. Lovely Jesus. Do you know him sinner?

You've got a case. A case tonight. Come. See a man. Able to do.

All those things. That are impossible. With natural man. This precious man.

- [ 20 : 13 ] In the boat. On the lake. With his disciples. Remember our reading. They feared they were to be drowned.
- Save or we perish. This precious man. While he rebuked them. Why are ye fearful.
- O ye of little faith. He arose. Rebuked the winds. And the sea. And it was a great calm.
- You've got a case sinner. Too hard for you to deal with. A temporal trouble. The children of the living God.
- The children of the living God. Have troubles in this world. Just the same as others do. But they have a God to go to. Tis this Jesus.
- [ 21 : 15 ] Come see a man. Able to save. Able to save to the utmost. King Jesus. He who is preeminent.
- In the heavens and in the earth. This precious man. Who knows all the circumstances. That assail the lives of his people.
- Able to deliver. Even as he subdued the winds. And the sea. And there was a great calm.
- Your case too hard for him. How often the children of God. Limit the power of their God.
- How often they look at their case. And feel tis too hard. For anyone to deal with. They walk in darkness.
- [ 22 : 16 ] And fear. And perplexity. Come see a man. Who is able. To do all things.
- As he met those two men. With their minds deranged. Those two men. Who were full of devils.
- This precious Jesus. Turn them out. Turn them into that herd of swine. Too hard your case.
- For Jesus. Come see a man. Who came into this lower world. To seek. And to save.
- Those that were lost. Came into this world. According to the eternal purpose. Of his father. To save.
- [ 23 : 17 ] A people. Lost. And ruined. In the fall. And came into this world. Born of a woman. Under the law.
- Made flesh and blood. Without sin. To fulfill. The holy law of God. In every jot and tittle. And.
- To apply. To apply. That. Perfection. In the fulfillment. Of the law. By substitution. To every chosen.
- Vessel of mercy. To make them. Complete. In him. Before the living God. Forever. This precious man.
- Came into this lower world. To suffer. Bleed. And die. In order to satisfy. Divine justice. With regard to the sin.
- [ 24 : 16 ] Of every individual member. Of his church. Came into that. Dreadful place. Of Calvary. To agonize.
- Under. The curse. Laid upon him. Because of the sin. Of this people. You and me.
- This precious man. Hung on that cursed tree. At Calvary. Under the darkness. Laid upon him.
- By God the Father. Because of the sin. Of his church. My God. My God. Why hast thou forsaken me.
- The cry. Of a man. A holy man. The man. Christ Jesus. Come.
- [ 25 : 15 ] See a man. Who told me all things. That ever I did. He's brought in. The full salvation. It is finished.

The cry of victory. This precious man. Rose again. And his people. Rose with him.  
 Complete. In him. Do you know this man. Sinner. Experimentally. In time.  
 For now. He sits. At the right hand. Of the Father. There ever. To make intercession. For his people. He lives.  
 He lives above. His people's cause. To carry on. Do you know him? Come. See a man.

[ 26 : 14 ] Who told me all things. That ever I did. Is not this. The Christ. It is manifested. It is manifested. In his ability. To bring.  
 Peace. To sinners. For he stands. In that place. Of intercession. Today. He has authority. And almighty power. In the courts. Of heaven. It is known. In time. The children.  
 Of God. Have intercourse. With the living God. Through him. Do you know anything. Of it sinner? For a moment.  
 We are going to turn aside. The day is solemn. The Lord God. Has laid his hand.

[ 27 : 10 ] Upon the earth. Because of sin. That. Great. Almighty. Arm of God. Has reached out. To us. In our land. To me. It has been solemn. Many times. Friends. In hearing. Men. In public. Prayer. Condemn. Other nations. In the earth. I have heard it. Many times. The Lord.  
 Has a deep. Controversy. With us. In our land. Sin. Is rampant. On every hand. Is a solemn.  
 Consideration. Two. Parts. Shall be cut off. The third part. Brought. Through the fire.

[ 28 : 12 ] It is. Professing. And profane. That shall be cut off. Professing. Without possession. How solemn. To come short. There is a need. Be. In this solemn. Day. To know something.  
 Of assurance. It belongs. To the people. Of God. There is. An assurance. To be attained. To. There are many. Today. Even amongst us. In our denomination. Who seem. To live. On doubts. And fears.  
 They can take you. To hell. It is a solemn. Consideration. What if my name. Should be left out.

[ 29 : 09 ] When thou. For them. Shalt call. But assurance. Is to be attained. That word. Of the psalmist. Is a living word. Say unto my soul. I am thy salvation. Have you got such an exercise.  
 Friends. Come. See a man. Who told me all things. That ever I did. If he's brought you. Into their place.  
 Of conviction. Of conviction. Friends. Have he's brought you. Into a place. Of confession. Before him. In truth. God.  
 Be merciful. To me. A sinner. Is not this. The Christ. Who came into this world. To redeem.

[ 30 : 10 ] His people. Not one of them. Shall be lost. They belong to him. By purchase. His precious. Precious. Shed blood. He'll make himself. Known. To his people. In time. If he's brought you.  
 Then into this place. Of conviction. Confession. Exercise. As to know. Where you stand. In his sight. There will be a time.  
 When he'll bring you. Into the banqueting house. And put over you. The banner of his love. Assurance. Is to be attained.

- For I am convinced. My friends. The Lord does not. Tease. His people. He does not.
- [ 31 : 07 ] Bring them. Bring them. Into a place. Of desire. He doesn't. Convict them. And bring them. Into a place. Of misery. Feelingly.
- And then. Leave them there. He manifests. He is the Christ. The way of salvation.
- He manifests. That he is that. Blessed one. Who stands in the breach. A days man. A blessed mediator.
- The man. Christ Jesus. Do you know him sinner? Oh it's good. To have a hope.
- It will no doubt. Waver from time to time. For there will be dark places still. The enemy won't leave you.
- [ 32 : 07 ] Not while you are in this time state. It will cause you from time to time to fall. There will be experience in your life.
- They fell down. And there was none to help. Then they cried unto the Lord. In their trouble. And he delivered them out of their distresses.
- This will be the way. But it is a sure way friends. That will be experienced at the end.
- He led them forth. By the right way. That they might come to a city of habitation. Strange way though isn't it to the flesh.
- Poor blind of reason. Often can't understand it. Never really will understand it. Why should these things be?
- [ 33 : 04 ] And oft times it will be to listen to the great adversary. Who says if the Lord was your God. These things wouldn't be.
- But by these things. Men live. Keep your soul alive sinner. Here again.
- Here again. The sweet evidence it is. You are in the right way. When you consider what you are. The little knowledge you have.
- Of your ruined nature. Would you pray without trouble? Oh I know my friends. We can pray by mouth.
- But would your heart speak to the living God? Would you bow down before him? Would you crown this dear man.
- [ 34 : 01 ] The precious Christ. Lord of all. Accept. That were necessity. Necessity laid upon your flesh.
- To do it. God help me. That's where you will come again and again. But it is by these things. Men live. And in all these things.
- Is the life of my spirit. And will be in your experience. Thus wilt thou recover me. And make me to live. In Christ.
- Forever. Come see a man. Who told me all things. Whatever I did. Is not this the Christ.
- Poor sinner. That thou art favoured above many. The numbers in this. Solemn day.
- [ 35 : 01 ] Sink into hell. In black despair. The times in which we live. Could you endure.
- Without the help of God. Would you continue. Through a day. Without the mercy.
- Of this God manifesting. Come. Come. See a man. Who told me all things. That ever I did.
- Jesus. The friend of sinners. Have we brought you in. Friends. Do you love this man?
- For one of his. One of our poets said. Jesus. Jesus. I love thy charming name. Tis music. To mine ear.
- [ 35 : 58 ] Fain would I sound it out. So loud. That earth. And heaven might hear. Is he precious like that. Do you? There needs be again.

There needs be again. My friend. None of us know. What a day may bring forth. This precious man.

Is recorded in the word. As Jesus Christ. The same. Yesterday. Today. And forever. You change.

Don't you? Hour by hour. Sometimes. What a mercy. Jesus. Is the same.

He sticketh closer. Than the brother. His love. The same. From first. To last. Come.

[ 36 : 55 ] See a man. Who told me. All things. That ever I did. Poor sinner. If he's opened your eyes. To see your ruined condition. He loves you.

It is with an everlasting love. And he'll be the same tomorrow. When you call upon him. As he is today.

And there'll be a need tomorrow. For I tell you again. My friends. Satan won't let you go. He knows how to deal with you.

He'll bring you again. Into a dark place. But Jesus. Is the same. Is not this the Christ.

Who came into the world. To save sinners. Is it not a wonderful word. Of the apostle. It is a faithful saying.

[ 38 : 00 ] Worthy of all acceptance. That Christ Jesus. Came into the world. To save sinners. If he's taught.

Your friends. There'll be times. When you'll be quite willing. To follow on. Of whom I am chief.

Isn't it a mercy. He's opened your eyes. To you therefore. Which believe. He is precious.

Come again. My friends. One of our poets says. How sweet. The name of Jesus. Sounds. In a believer's ear.

It soothes his sorrows. Heals his wounds. Drives away his fear. Is this Jesus.

[ 39 : 02 ] Your Jesus. What a favor then. It is indeed. For the end's going to be right.

And who can tell. When that will come. This God. With whom we have to do. Gives no notice.

Of his purposes. He calls men out of time. In a moment. And into eternity.

And I'm going to mention here. Something. That came into my experience. Not so very long ago.

A sweet encouragement. I saw a man. In the last weeks. Of his life. A man whom I'd known.

[ 39 : 58 ] For many years. And he had a religion. That I knew. In the last weeks. Of his life. It was a good one. That's mercy.

Friends. If your religion. Was like that man's religion. For I saw him. Three or four hours. Before he died. And in his right mind.

As he was. For his mind. Was quite clear. He said to me. In union. With the land. From condemnation.

Free. Is your religion. A good one. It'll be tested. In the hour. And article. Of death.

There are no hypocrites. At that time. Friends. There's a need. To be right. For this God.

[ 40 : 56 ] With whom we have to do. Doesn't change his mind. The wicked. Shall be turned. Into hell. We need to be right.

Have we got. Real evidences. What are they? I say again. Friends. That which I believe. Can come short.



With a head full. Of doctrine. You'll need. A living experience. Of Christ. Of that precious.  
Atoning blood. Which cleanseth us. From all sin. We'll need more. Than religion.

In the abstract. We'll need. To be able. To plead. That blood. With living faith. And those  
who have.

[ 41 : 57 ] A real religion. Have the experience. Of a God. Who hears. For Jesus sake. For from time  
to time.

The child of God. Will need to feel. A manifestation. Of mercy. In his soul. And there is. No  
other name.

Under heaven. Given among men. Whereby. We must be saved. Then. There is a need.  
Of experience. Sinner. The child of God.

The child of God. Proves. As he continues. Along life's journey. The blood of Jesus Christ.  
Opens. The portals of heaven. He has intercourse. With the living God. In Christ. Do you  
know anything of it?

[ 42 : 55 ] I know these things. They're deep friends. But it's deep. To have a religion. Because it's  
either. Going to be one. That will take you to heaven.

Or one. That will send you to hell. Or one. And a religion. Anchored in your flesh. Will take  
you there. It must be.

Founding Christ. It must be. Taught of God. By his blessed spirit. In that a precious Christ.  
In the beginning. Sought you out. Even as he did. This poor woman. Jacob's well. Is your  
religion.

Real friends. Does it belong. To God. In that he set it. In your heart.

[ 43 : 54 ] And he's given you. A love to Christ. So that. From time to time. There is a real exercise.  
Give me Christ.

Christ. Or else. I die. Come. See a man. Who told me all things. That ever I did.

Is not. This. The Christ. The poor man. Who tries. To speak to you. Friends. Lives on him.  
I've got nowhere else.

To go. I am. Quite sure. That without. A living Jesus. I could not continue.

But this precious man. Waits to be gracious. I've proved him. Have you? When the end  
comes.

[ 44 : 54 ] My friends. You'll need. To be able. To set him forth. Jesus. Is my savior. The almighty  
God.

The father. Will take. No other plea. But washed. In the blood. Of the land. Do you know.  
This Jesus. Of whom. This poor woman. Spoke. In the days. Of his flesh. She. Who was  
so. Convinced.

As he. Set in her heart. That he. Was. The Christ. She. Must. Need. To go. And tell. The  
men. About her.

Come. See a man. Who told me. All things. That ever I did. Is not. This. The Christ. I'm  
going to leave it. Friends.

[ 45 : 52 ] The Lord. At his blessing. His name. Shall have a price. Amen.