

Themes in the Gospel of John

Part #2 SIGNS OF DIVINITY

Scripture Song: Behold, the Lamb of God – John 1:29,32,34

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on Themes in the Gospel of John. Today's topic: SIGNS OF DIVINITY.

1) The feeding of the five thousand

- a. John 6:1-13 Why do you think this miracle is recorded by all 4 Gospel writers?
- b. What can we learn from the reactions of those present? John 6:14-15
- c. What lesson did the disciples need to learn during the stormy night on the Sea of Galilee? John 6:16-21
- d. What testimony did Jesus give following the feeding of the 5,000? John 6:22-35,38
- e. How is this miracle and the events that followed a sign of the divinity of Jesus?
- f. What additional I AM statements of Jesus are recorded by the apostle John, reminding the readers of the words of the LORD in Exodus 3:13-14?

2) The healing of a man blind from birth

- a. John 9:1-2 What misunderstanding did the disciples have regarding this man's blindness?
- b. How did the healing of this blind man reinforce the recent I AM claim of Jesus (John 8:12) that He is the Light of the world? John 9:3-7
- c. How did this man's neighbors and acquaintances react to this remarkable miracle of healing? John 9:8-12

- d. What can we learn from the reaction of the Pharisees when this once-blind man was brought to them? John 9:13-34
- e. Why were many religious leaders so blind to the truth about Jesus?
- f. What startling claim did Jesus make to the healed man later that same day? John 9:35-38
- g. When did you come to realize that Jesus was worthy of your worship as the Son of God, your Savior and Lord?

3) The resurrection of Lazarus (only recorded by John)

- a. John 11:1-17 Why did Jesus delay when he received an urgent appeal from the sisters of Lazarus?
- b. Are the initial comments of Martha and Mary complaints or statements of faith? John 11:21,32
- c. How did Jesus respond to Martha's confession of faith in Him as Messiah? John 11:22-27
- d. What are your thoughts about the reaction of Jesus recorded in John 11:33-35?
- e. How did the subsequent events recorded by John confirm the I AM claim of Jesus that He is the Resurrection and the Life? John 11:38-44
- f. What can we learn from the varied reactions to this remarkable miracle? John 11:45-57

