

John: the man

What kind of man was John?

John was there when . . .

Types of “seers”

Reasons why Jesus may have dimmed in your eyes

Considerations for the week

Power and honor and authority and glory are often sought. Why?

John and James wanted to call down fire on the village. What does this reveal about their view of power and honor? (Luke 9:51-56)

Why does John try to stop the man casting out demons? Consider what this shows about his understanding of spiritual authority and belonging. (Mark 9:38-41)

John and James ask for seats of glory. What is their understanding about Jesus’ kingdom? (Mark 10:35)

Jesus hears John’s assumptions and guides him as He redefines greatness. How does He do this?

Following Jesus physically is different from following Him spiritually. How is this illustrated in John’s life?

John is the only male disciple mentioned at the cross. What does this reveal about his growing loyalty, courage and love, and about the kind of man he was becoming? (John 19:25-27)

Later, John stands boldly before the Sanhedrin. Contrast this boldness with his prior “call down fire” boldness. (Acts 3-4)

What would it look like for Jesus to reshape your ambition, temperament, or identity as He reshaped John’s? Consider asking Him to do so.

Please use these considerations for personal reflection, small group discussions, and with friends and family.



**A new command I give you: Love one another.
As I have loved you, so you must love one
another.**

– John 13:34, NIV

Scripture read today
during worship:

1 John 1:9
1 John 3:17

Prayer today

Members will be praying for us during the service today and also during the week. Please email us at prayer@rtbchurch.org to let us know how we may pray for you.

Today's order of service

Prelude, *The Heart of Worship*

Call to worship

Hymn 228, *Rejoice the Lord is King*

Hymn, *Come People of the Risen King*

Confession and assurance

Hymn, *This Is Our God*

Hymn, *Graves into Gardens*

Offertory

Reading and prayer

Hymn, *O Church, Arise*

Message

Hymn of response 202, *Amazing Grace*

Benediction

Postlude, *To God Be the Glory*

Weekly events

Today after the service, Cookies & Coffee, in parlor

Young adults fellowship, Monday at 6:45pm. Dinner and discussion for those in college or starting careers.

Mom's Day Out, Tuesday and Friday, 9am – 2pm
pre-registration required

Women's Bible study, Tues. at 10 am or Thurs. at 7 pm

Wednesday

Kids' Music Class, 5-6 pm

Dinner, 5:30-6:30 pm. Wednesday night supper is temporarily on hold due to kitchen renovations.

Prayer, 6:30 pm in the prayer room

BLAST! Children's Bible study and fun, 6:00 pm

Ladies' international Bible class (Zoom), 6:45 pm

Choir rehearsal, 7:45 pm

Joy Program, Thursday, 9am-noon, conversational English classes, Bible study, crafts, and handbells

Endurance men's Bible study, Thursday at 6pm
Focus: college-aged / young adult men

Young internationals Bible study, Saturday at 7 pm

Men's Bible study, every-other Saturday at 8 am
Meets next week, April 18

Sunday morning

Adult Bible study, 9:30 am

Worship, 10:45 am

Children's Church at sermon time

The church office has information on events.

Phone: 713.559.6875 Email: office@rtbchurch.org

The office is open Tuesday - Friday, 9am-3pm

Summer camp for children

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
in July. Pre-registration is required.

VBS Our Vacation Bible School will be held June 22-26.

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Our website is at <https://rtbc.faith>


online giving



Templegram Our weekly newsletter is provided to us by email, usually on Tuesday. If you'd like to receive it, please email us at office@rtbchurch.org.

Food donation collection

Through May 17, for the benefit of CCSC (Christian Community Service Center).