

## Study Guide: Jesus Unfiltered – John 1-4

### Big Question

What's one false idea about Jesus you grew up believing — and when did you realize it was garbage?

Write your real answer here:

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### Core Scripture Focus

- **John 1:1–5** — Jesus isn't created — He's the Creator crashing into the dirt.
- **John 2:1–11** — First miracle: crashing a wedding, bringing ridiculous joy.
- **John 3:1–21** — Nicodemus learns religion isn't enough — rebirth is everything.
- **John 4:1–42** — A rejected woman becomes one of the first Gospel evangelists.

→ Read them slowly — and notice:

**Jesus meets people exactly where they are... but never leaves them the same.**

### Religious Lies Jesus Destroys in John 1–4

**Lie #1:** *"Good people earn God's love."*

**Truth:**

→ Nicodemus had all the credentials — and Jesus told him to start from scratch.

**Lie #2:** *"Messed-up people are disqualified from God's story."*

**Truth:**

→ The woman at the well had more baggage than a Delta flight — and Jesus still chose her to spark a revival.

**Lie #3:** *"Faith is just being nice and believing harder."*

**Truth:**

→ Faith is **rebirth** — a supernatural rescue mission that rips you out of death.

### Discussion Questions

1. If you had to describe Jesus based **ONLY** on John 1–4, what three words would you pick?

2. Why do you think Jesus chose His first miracle to be *joyful* (wedding wine) instead of *serious* (like raising the dead)?
3. Nicodemus came at night. The Samaritan woman met Jesus at noon. What does that teach you about how Jesus meets people differently based on their stories?
4. What's one part of your life you've tried to clean up before letting Jesus touch it — instead of letting Him meet you in the mess?

## Action Steps

### → Rip off the Filter:

Stop worshipping a Pinterest version of Jesus.

Worship the Word who became flesh — the real One who's not scared of your dirt.

### → Come Thirsty:

Like the woman at the well — stop pretending you're not thirsty.

Bring your thirst to the only well that won't run dry.

### → Share Unashamed:

If a scandalized, outcast woman could sprint back to her city and scream about Jesus,

→ you can post about Him without fear of losing a few fake friends.

## THE TATTOOED APOLOGIST

### Tattooed Apologist Challenge

Jesus isn't looking for a polished résumé.

He's looking for **raw surrender**.

Write down ONE step you're going to take this week to stop filtering your faith and start walking raw with Jesus:

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