



## **Big Idea:** The Gospel According To John – Read John 2

**Pastor Curt Seaburg - Part 2**

This week we continued the series on the Gospel of John, one of the four gospels in the New Testament. The purpose of John when he wrote this was, and still is today, “These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.” John 20:31 This message’s focus is to know who Jesus is, not just what He does.

A key word to have life in Jesus’ name, spiritual life, is “believe”. What does it mean to believe? Many think that believe means to agree with or give mental assent to, but that’s only half of what Jesus meant. The other half is to act on that agreement or mental assent and entrust or place one’s trust into and onto Jesus. If I show you a well-made car and ask if you believe that car would take you from here to a certain place, you would say “yes”, meaning that you agree. If I ask you to go drive the car, the proof of your belief is the action you take – get in the car and drive it. Jesus wants us to entrust Him with everything in our life. Jesus wants us to agree with Him and entrust our life to Him by letting Him take control and drive. Jesus wants us to grow and learn who He really is – **Prophet, Priest, and King**.

As Prophet Jesus **challenges** our spiritual consumerism and worship. As Priest Jesus **cleanses** us from sin. As King, Jesus **constructs** a temple for His presence in us. Pastor Curt explains each of these and describes the difference between a church consumer and a disciple of Jesus. This message will challenge you to know who Jesus is, not just what He does.

## **Discussion Questions**

- What How is Jesus a prophet to you? What did Jesus confront you about that’s not right in your life?
- How is Jesus a priest to you? What does Jesus want to cleanse you of?
- How is Jesus a king to you? What area does Jesus want you to give Him control of?
- Pastor Curt said that spiritual consumers 1) put themselves at the center of worship, not God and 2) can unintentionally have an incomplete view of God. How did he explain these?
- Have you ever been a spiritual consumer? How have you addressed this in your life?

## **Prayer Focus**

Jesus, thank You for being the way the truth and the life and for giving me the ability to live in Your power and authority. Help us, Father, to respond to You as our Prophet, Priest and King by taking the steps You’ve made available to us. Today we choose to have faith on You and will live our lives to the fullest measure.  
Amen

## **Next Steps**

Step Three of the Growth Track will happen next week at every campus. This is an opportunity to develop as a leader and join the Serve Team at Victory Church. We believe everyone is called to lead others in some particular way, so come and check it out!

## **Leader Tip**

Think of a time when you came to understand that there were things in your life you needed to be free from. Next, try to remember the process God used as Prophet, Priest or King to give you freedom and share that process with the group.