

The Book of Glory

- I. Prologue & John the Baptist (1)
- II. The Book of Signs (2—12)
- III. The Book of Glory (13—20)**
- IV. An Epilogue (21)

I. Narrative contents

- A. Last Supper & Farewell Address (13—17)
- B. The Death of Jesus
 - 1. Jesus' Arrest (18:1-14)
 - 2. Jesus questioned before the Sanhedrin (council of Jewish leaders) 18:13—27
 - a. Interspersed with scenes of Peter's denial of Jesus
 - 3. Jesus questioned before Pilate (19:1–16a)
- E. The Crucifixion (9:16b-42)
- F. Resurrection Appearances:
 - 1. First Resurrection Appearance: Mary Magdalene (20:1–18)
 - 2. Second Resurrection Appearance: the Disciples *except* Thomas (20:19–23)
 - 3. Third Resurrection Appearance: the Disciples *including* Thomas (20:24-29)

II. John's Portrait of Jesus

- A. Jesus in control, calm, collected—not agonized, doubt-filled, or anguished
 - 1. No “agony in the Garden” of Gethsemane
 - 2. Jesus is fully aware that Judas will betray him – even tells him to get on with it!
 - 3. Rather than praying for himself, prays for his disciples (17:1–26), and also tries to comfort them before his death (16:16-22)
 - 4. Jesus' death is his *glorification*:
 - a. “Whenever you lift-up/exalt the Son of Man, you will know that I am.” (8:28)
 - b. God “glorified” when Jesus is “lifted-up/exalted from the earth.” (12:27-32)
 - c. “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son, that the Son may glorify you.” (17:1)
- B. Loving & Compassionate
 - 1. Washes their feet (13:1-20), calls them “friends” (15:14-15)
 - 2. Cares for his disciples and tries to comfort them (15:11)
 - 3. Sends the Holy Spirit to help them
 - 4. Even on the cross: “Woman, behold your son.” / “Behold your mother.” (19:26-7)

III. The Holy Spirit as the “Paraclete” (14:15-17, 25-26)

- A. Greek *parakletos* (“advocate, helper, counsellor, advisor”)
- B. Agent of God's continuing presence after Jesus' death:
 - 1. “to be with you forever” (14:16)
 - 2. “he abides with you and will be in you (14:17)
- C. Agent of memory & teaching:
 - 1. “will teach you everything, and remind you of everything I said to you” (14:26)
 - 3. “will lead you into all truth...” (16:13)
 - 4. “will receive from me what is mine, and report it to you” (16:14)