

PRAYER BEFORE READING THE BIBLE

SHINE within my heart, Loving Master, the pure light of Your Divine knowledge, and open the eyes of my mind that I may understand Your teaching. Instill in me reverence for Your commandments, so that having conquered my sinful desires, I may pursue a spiritual way of life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing in Your sight. For You, Christ our God, are my light and my life, and to You we render glory together with Your Eternal Father ✠ and Your All-Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever. Amen.

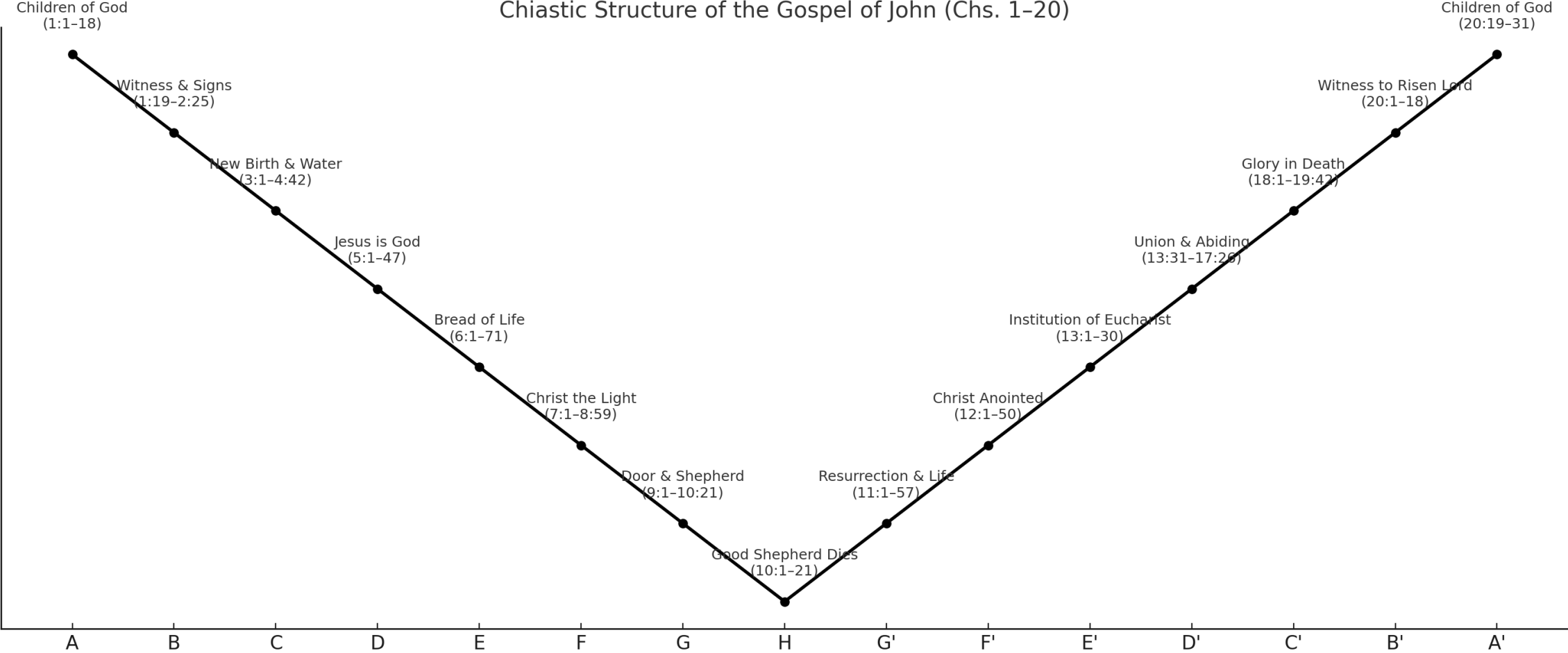
+ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

The Resurrection of Christ

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Chiastic Structure of the Gospel of John (Chs. 1-20)



[John 21:1-25 RSV] 1 After
this Jesus revealed himself
again to the disciples by the
Sea of Tibe'ri-as; and he
revealed himself in this way.

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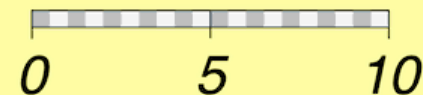
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2 Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin,
Nathan'a-el of Cana in Galilee, the sons of
Zeb'edee, and two others of his disciples
were together. 3 Simon Peter said to them,
"I am going fishing." They said to him, "We
will go with you." They went out and got
into the boat; but that night they caught
nothing.

[Luke 5:1-11 RSV] 1 While the people pressed upon him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennes'aret. 2 And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 3 Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. 4 And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." 5 And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." 6 And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, 7 they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." 9 For he was astonished, and all that were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zeb'edee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." 11 And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

4 Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. 5 Jesus said to them, "Children, have you any fish?" They answered him, "No." 6 He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, for the quantity of fish.



7 That disciple whom Jesus loved
said to Peter, "It is the Lord!"

When Simon Peter heard that it
was the Lord, he put on his
clothes, for he was stripped for
work, and sprang into the sea.



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sle of fishes. Therefore that disciple when Jesus loved with a little ship.

and then took, cast the net on the right side of the ship and ye shall find. They cast therefore, and from then they were not able to
Peter. It is the Lord. Now when Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he girt his fisher's coat unto him, (for he was
for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits) dragging the net with fishes.





huc ipse piscem mactat hunc piscem de galilea et dicit illi

8 But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. 9 When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish lying on it, and bread. 10 Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught."



11 So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and although there were so many, the net was not torn.

Patriarch life-span factored:

Abraham $175 = 7 \times 5 \times 5$ (prime factorization); $7+5+5 = 17$

Isaac $180 = 5 \times 6 \times 6$ (valid factorization); $5+6+6 = 17$

Jacob $147 = 3 \times 7 \times 7$ (prime factorization); $3+7+7 = 17$

Augustine of Hippo pointed out that 153 is the triangular of 17. This means that if we add $17 + 16 + 15 + 14 \dots + 1$, we come up with 153. This number can be expressed as a triangle:

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[Acts 2:7-11 RSV] 7 And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? 9 **Par'thians** and **Medes** and **E'lamites** and residents of **Mesopota'mia**, **Judea** and **Cappado'cia**, **Pontus** and **Asia**, 10 **Phryg'ia** and **Pamphyl'ia**, **Egypt** and the parts of **Libya** belonging to **Cyre'ne**, and visitors from Rome, both **Jews** and **proselytes**, 11 **Cretans** and **Arabians**, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

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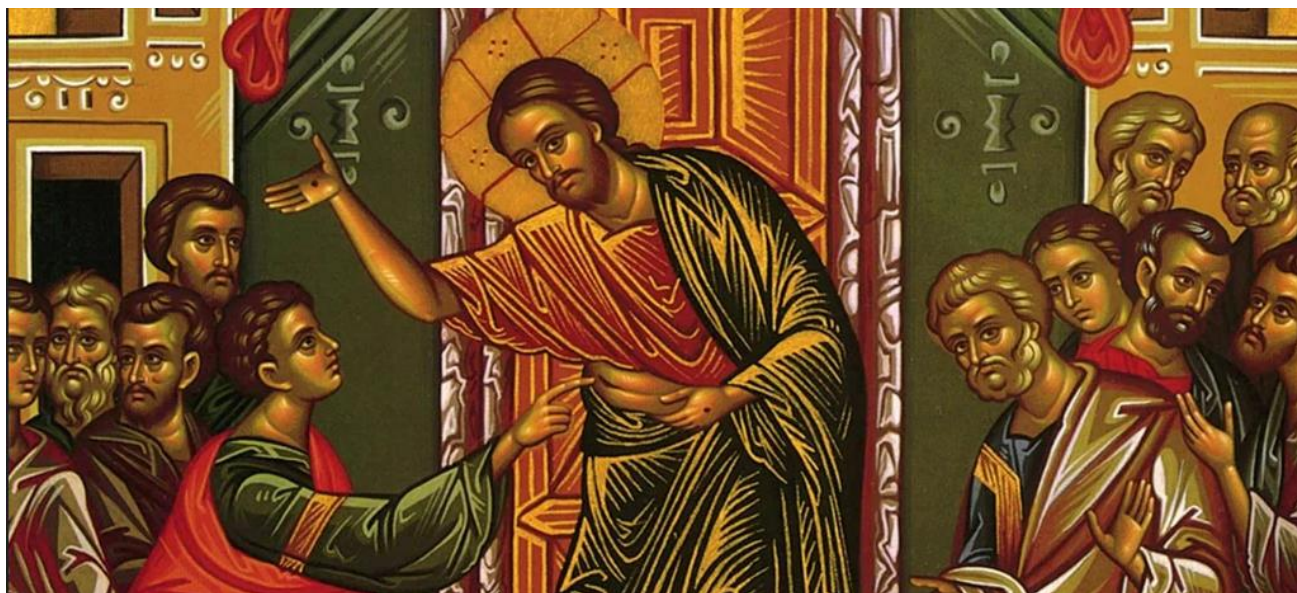
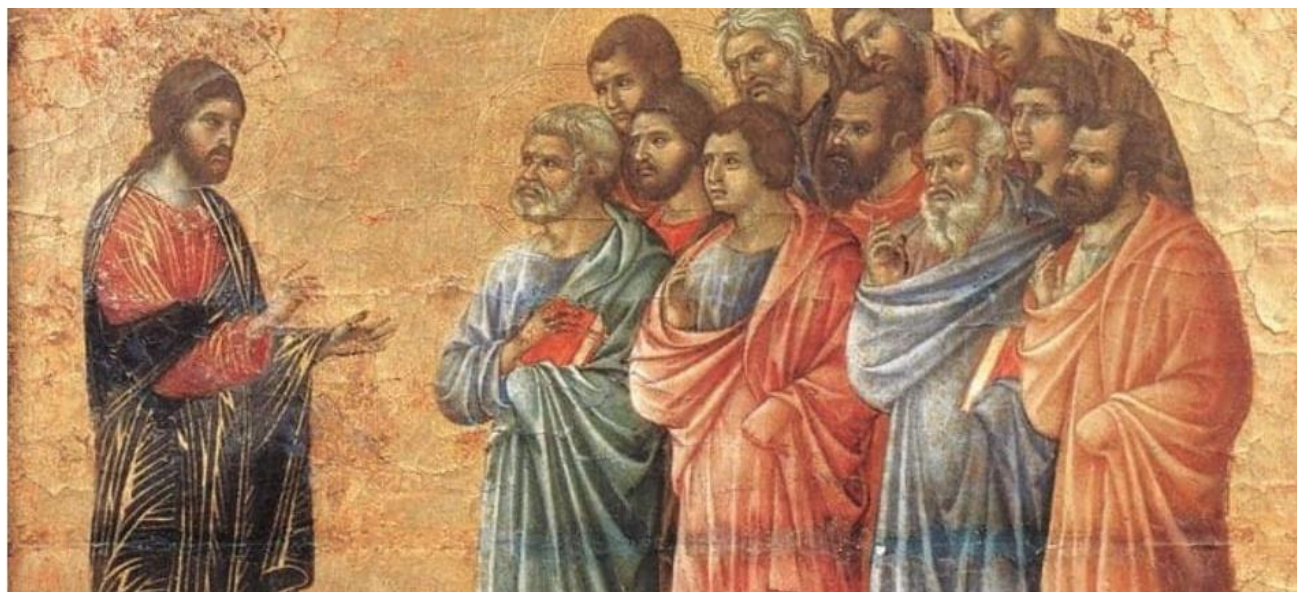
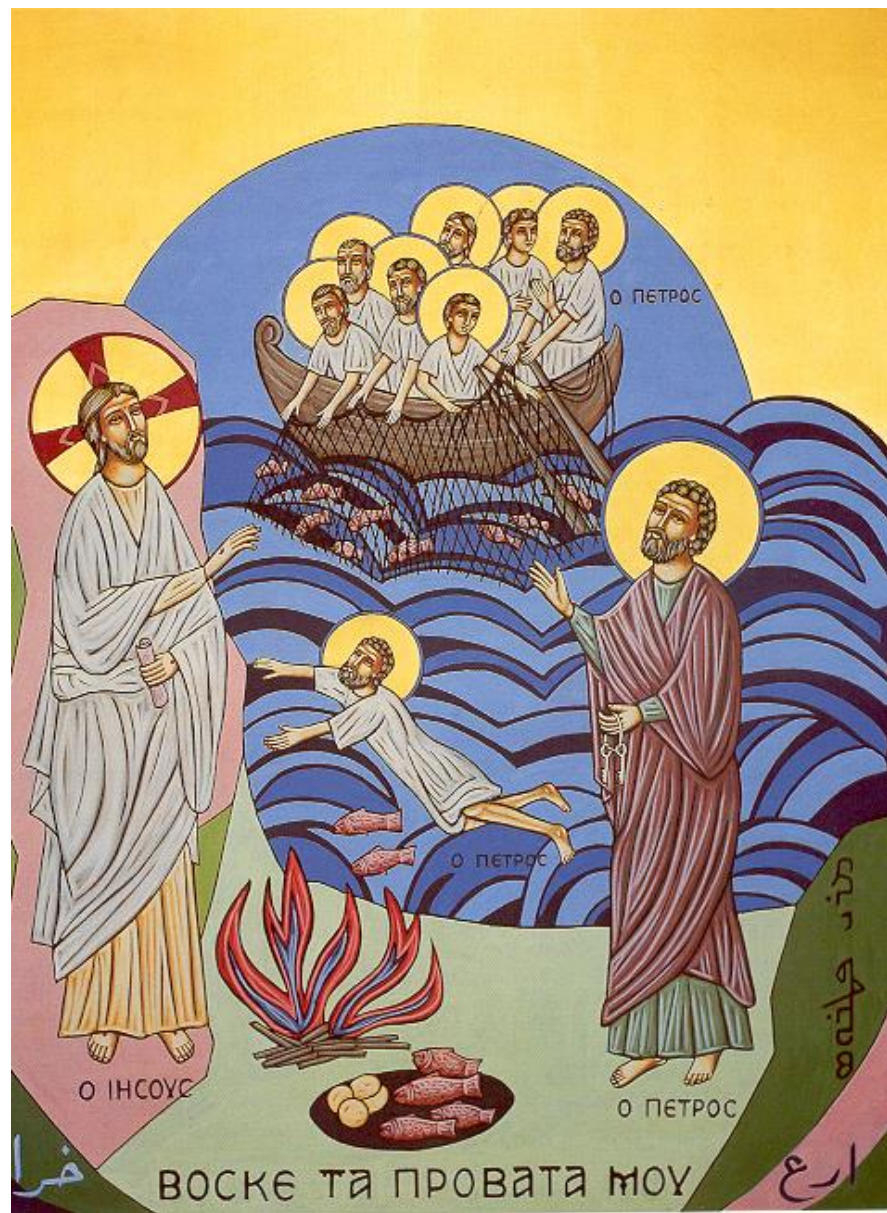
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12 Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. 13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish.



14 This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.



15 When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." 16 A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." 17 He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.







18 Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go." 19 (This he said to show by what death he was to glorify God.)

And after this he said to him, "Follow me."
20 Peter turned and saw following them the
disciple whom Jesus loved, who had lain
close to his breast at the supper and had
said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray
you?" 21 When Peter saw him, he said to
Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?"

22 Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!" 23 The saying spread abroad among the brethren that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

24 This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true. 25 But there are also many other things which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

Glorious Saint Raymond of
Peñafort, wise and holy patron,
come to the aid of those entrusted
to your care, and all who flee to
your protection. Intercede for us
in our need, and help us through
your prayers, example, and
teaching, to proclaim the truth of
the Gospel to all we meet. And
when we have reached the
fullness of our years, we beseech
you to guide us home to heaven,
to live in peace with you, Our
Mother Mary, and Our Lord
Jesus Christ. Amen.

