

Jesus Returns to His Own

The Resurrection in John

Getting the Dates Straight

- A Problem
 - Remember: day starts at dusk
- Synoptics
 - Last supper = passover meal = Friday night?
 - Crucifixion Saturday?
- John
 - Last supper = “day of preparation” = Thursday night
 - Crucifixion Friday, 14th Nisan
- Agreement
 - Resurrection: Sunday morning, 16th Nisan

Getting the Dates Straight

- John the most plausible!
 - Crucifixion and trial unlikely on festival day
 - Haste to finish before Passover
- Are synoptics wrong?
 - Don't actually give day of last supper
 - Did Jesus celebrate passover meal early?
 - Knowing his death was soon?
 - Customary for some Jews?
 - Using a solar calendar (different from temple)?
- So why does John not say last supper is Seder?

Jesus Appears to His Own

- (The burial)
 - Note who is present
 - Note the time
- The empty tomb
- Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene
- Jesus appears to the disciples
 - In a locked room
 - Jesus' breath
- Jesus appears to Thomas
 - The final scene of the original Gospel?
 - “Blessed are you who have not seen me and yet have believed” (Jn 20:29)

Peter and the Beloved Disciple

- An incredible catch of fish
 - Echo of Peter's call in the Synoptics?
 - Jesus eats with Peter
- Peter's commission
 - What does it mean?
 - Why the repetition?
- Confusion about the BD's death
- The editor's testimony

The Story of John

- Three “horizons” fused into one story
 - Jesus’ earthly life
 - Israel’s history
 - Creation and Rescue
- Who are the actors?
- What are their relationships?
- Where is the tension?
 - threat and resolution

The Purpose of John

- ταῦτα δὲ γέγραπται ἵνα πιστεύητε ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ἐστὶν ὁ χριστὸς ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ θεοῦ, καὶ ἵνα πιστεύοντες ζωὴν ἔχητε ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ.
- That you might believe
 - Continue to believe?
 - Exist as a believer?
- Because you are believing
 - Have life in his name