

The Prison Epistles. Welch: BE, Volume 31 - Page Structure showing their Distinctive Doctrine and their Interrelation.

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A | EPHESIANS.
                        | +The dispensation (3: 2 and 9 R.V.); +Mystery (3: 3).
                        +The Church which is His Body (1: 22, 23).
        Seated
       together.
                        | +The fullness (1: 23; 4: 10); +Christ the Head (1: 22).
                          +Principality and Power (1: 21).
  B | PHILIPPIANS. | Try the things that differ (1: 21).
          The Prize.
                        | Strive (1: 27); Press towards the mark (3: 14).
                        | Prize (3: 14); *Depart (1: 23); *Offered (2: 17).
A | COLOSSIANS.
                        | +Dispensation (1: 25); +Mystery (1: 26).
                        | +The Church which is His Body (1: 24).
       Complete
        in Him.
                          +Fullness (1: 19); +Christ the Head (2: 19).
                          +Principalities and Power (1: 16; 2: 10).
  B | II TIMOTHY.
                        | Rightly dividing the word (2: 15).
        The Crown.
                        | Strive (2: 5); Course finished (4: 7).
                        | Crown (4: 8); *Depart (4: 6); *Offered (4: 6).
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IMPERATIVES

2 Tim. 1:8, 13-14; 2:1-3, 7-8, 14-16, 19, 22-23; 3:1, 5, 14; 4:2, 5, 9, 11, 13, 15, 19, 21

IMPERATIVES

Notes on the imperative

- Be not ashamed (Lord, Paul the prisoner)
- Hold the form (example, pattern)
- Keep that good thing
- Be strong in the grace
- Things heard of Paul commit to faithful
- Suffer hardships
- Understand what Paul says
- Remember Jesus Christ was raised according to Paul's gospel

Notes (cont...)

SUN + WORD(NOUN, VERB,...) APPLIED TO COLLECTIVE **FELLOWSHIP**

Philippians

- συγκοινωνούς (Phil. 1:7 TBT)
- συγχαίρετέ (Phil. 2:18 TBT)
- συγκοινωνήσαντές (Phil. 4:14 TBT)
- συνεργῶν (Phil. 4:3 TBT)
- συλλαμβάνου (Phil. 4:3 TBT)

2Tim

• συγκακοπάθησον (2 Tim. 1:8 TBT)

FELLOW PARTAKERS συγκοινωνούς

KJV Philippians 1:7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace.

ΤΒΤ Philippians 1:7 καθώς ἐστι δίκαιον ἐμοὶ τοῦτο φρονεῖν ὑπὲρ πάντων ὑμῶν, διὰ τὸ ἔχειν με ἐν τῆ καρδία ὑμᾶς, ἔν τε τοῖς δεσμοῖς μου καὶ τῆ ἀπολογία καὶ βεβαιώσει τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, συγκοινωνούς μου τῆς χάριτος πάντας ὑμᾶς ὄντας.

JOINTLY REJOICE συγχαίρετέ

KJV **Philippians 2:18** For the same cause also do ye joy, and **rejoice with me.**

ΤΒΤ Philippians 2:18 τὸ δ' αὐτὸ καὶ ὑμεῖς χαίρετε καὶ συγχαίρετέ μοι.

FELLOW COMMUNICATORS συγκοινωνήσαντές

KJV **Philippians 4:14** Notwithstanding ye have well done, that **ye did communicate with my affliction**.

ΤΒΤ Philippians 4:14 πλὴν καλῶς ἐποιήσατε συγκοινωνήσαντές μου τῆ θλίψει.

TIMOTHY TO BE A JOINT PARTAKER OF THE AFFLICTIONS OF THE GOSPEL συγκακοπάθησον

KJV 2 Timothy 1:8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

ΤΒΤ 2 Timothy 1:8 μὴ οὖν ἐπαισχυνθῆς τὸ μαρτύριον τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν, μηδὲ ἐμὲ τὸν δέσμιον αὐτοῦ· ἀλλὰ συγκακοπάθησον τῷ εὐαγγελίῳ κατὰ δύναμιν Θεοῦ,

FELLOW-LABOURERS συνεργῶν

KJV Philippians 4:3 And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life.

ΤΒΤ Philippians 4:3 καὶ ἐρωτῶ καί σε, σύζυγε γνήσιε, συλλαμβάνου αύταῖς, αἴτινες ἐν τῷ εὐαγγελίῳ συνήθλησάν μοι, μετὰ καὶ Κλήμεντος, μου, ὧν τὰ ὀνόματα ἐν βίβλῳ ζωῆς. καὶ τῶν λοιπῶν συνεργῶν

JOINTLY TAKE POSSESSION συλλαμβάνου

KJV Philippians 4:3 And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, **help those women** which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellowlabourers, whose names are in the book of life.

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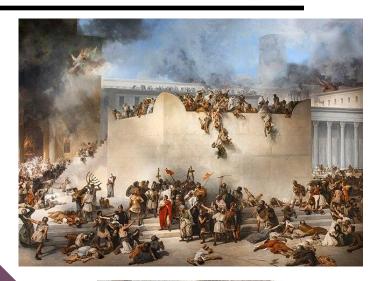
FELLOWSOLDIER συστρατιώτην

KJV Philippians 2:25 Yet I supposed it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour, and fellowsoldier, but your messenger, and he that ministered to my wants.

ΤΒΤ Philippians 2:25 ἀναγκαῖον δὲ ἡγησάμην Ἐπαφρόδιτον τὸν ἀδελφὸν καὶ συνεργὸν καὶ συστρατιώτην μου, ὑμῶν δὲ ἀπόστολον, καὶ λειτουργὸν τῆς χρείας μου, πέμψαι πρὸς ὑμᾶς·

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2 Tim





My Gospel

KJV Rom. 2:16 In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.

KJV Rom. 16:25 Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

KJV 2 Tim. 2:8 Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead according to my gospel:

TBT Rom. 2:16 ἐν ἡμέρᾳ ὅτε κρινεῖ ὁ Θεὸς τὰ κρυπτὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων, κατὰ τὸ εὐαγγέλιόν μου, διὰ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

TBT Rom. 16:25 Τῷ δὲ δυναμένῳ ὑμᾶς στηρίξαι κατὰ τὸ εὐαγγέλιόν μου καὶ τὸ κήρυγμα Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, κατὰ ἀποκάλυψιν μυστηρίου χρόνοις αίωνίοις σεσιγημένου,

TBT 2 Tim. 2:8 μνημόνευε Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν ἐγηγερμένον ἐκ νεκρῶν, ἐκ σπέρματος Δαβίδ, κατὰ τὸ εὐαγγέλιόν μου·

To appreciate the latter of these two statements it is essential that we give the structure of the epistle.

The Structure of the Epistle to the Romans as a whole.

A | i. 1—17. Gospel. Promised afore. For obedience of faith among all nations.

B | i. 18—iii. 20. Jews equally with Gentiles guilty before | In the outer God.

C | iii. 21—31. The Glory of God. Come short of. | Romans we read

D | iv. 1—25. His own body now dead. E | v. 1—11. Reconciliation. Doctrinal. In the outer portion of Romans we read of sins, law of Sinai, Abraham, Israel, Jew and Gentile.

From CH
Welch
"Just and the
Justifier"

of Romans Answer. Xvi. 25—27. F viii. No condemnation in Christ. Adam, and Man but no referent to Abraham,		Answer.	In the inner portion of Romans, we have sin, law of sin, Adam, and Man, but no references to Abraham, Jew, or Gentile.
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E ix.—xi. Reconciliation. Dispensational.

D | xii., xiii. Present your bodies a living sacrifice.

C | xiv.—xv. 7. The Glory of God. Received, to

B | xv. 8—xvi. 24. Gentiles equally with Jews acceptable before God.

A | xvi. 25—27. Mystery silenced afore. For obedience of faith unto all nations.

The outer portion, Rom. ix.—xvi. 24, the same features as Rom. i.—v. 11, but from a dispensational and practical point of view.

^{*} For explanation of these symbols see Scrivener or Burgon and The Berean Expositor, Vol. XXI, page 16. They are not important enough to us here to justify time and space in their elucidation.

DEMAS HATH FORSAKEN ME (RUIN)

- KJV 2 Timothy 4:10 For Demas hath forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
- KJV 2 Timothy 4:11 Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry. (2 Tim. 4:11 KJV)
- KJV 2 Timothy 1:15 This thou knowest, that all they which are in Asia be turned away from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes. (2 Tim. 1:15 KJV)

OPTATIVE (USED TO WISH)

- 2 Tim. 1:16
- 18
- 2:7
- 4:14
- 16

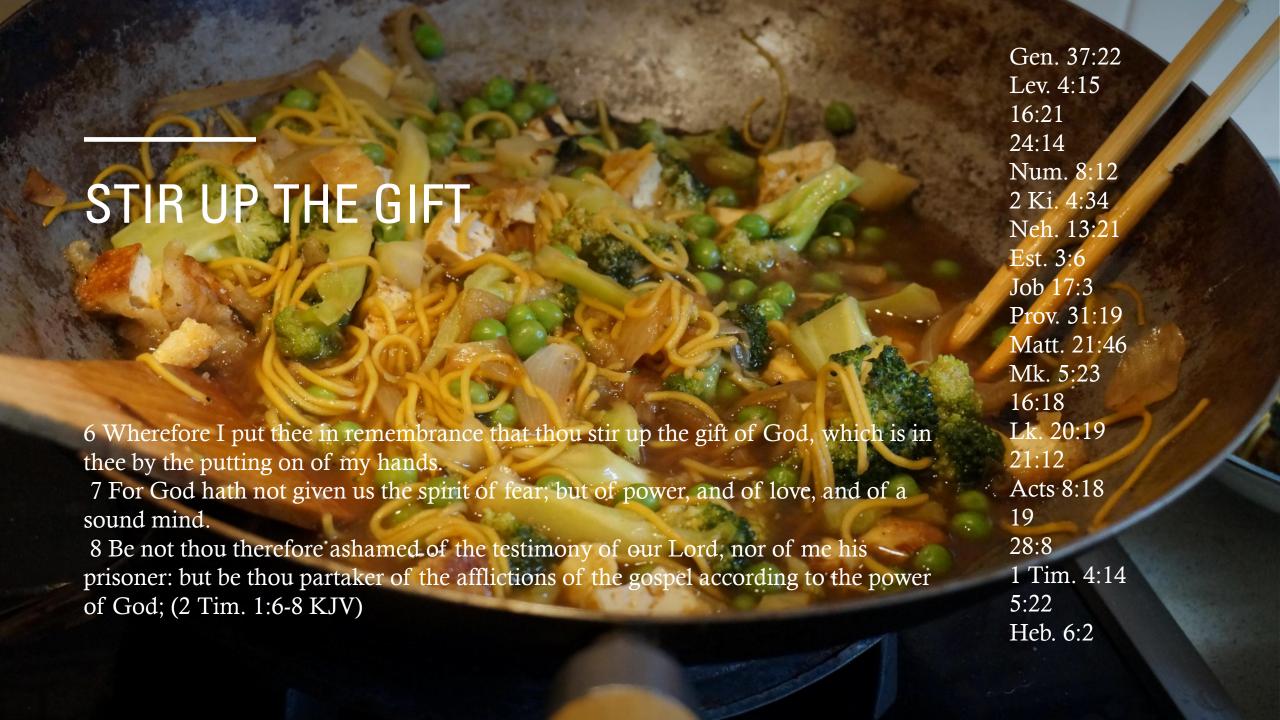
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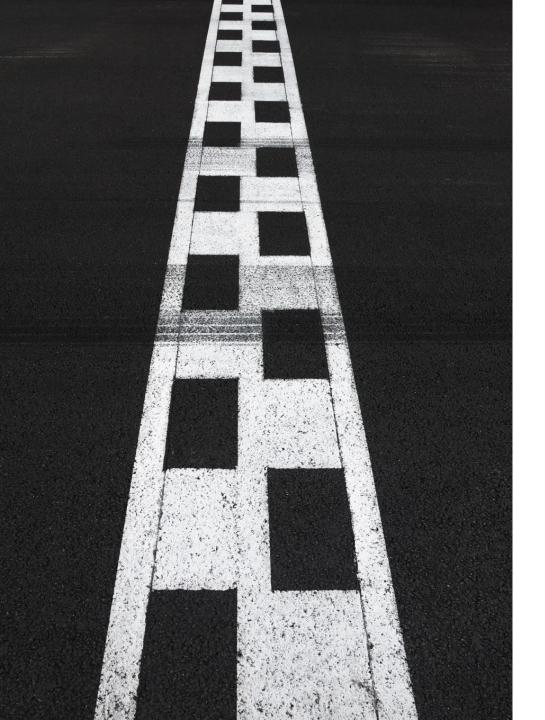
OFFERING = LIBATION (DRINK OFFERING)

σπένδομαι

- KJV Phil. 2:17 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all.
- KJV 2 Tim. 4:6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

- TBT Phil. 2:17 ἀλλ' εί καὶ σπένδομαι ἐπὶ τῆ θυσία καὶ λειτουργία τῆς πίστεως ὑμῶν, χαίρω καὶ συγχαίρω πᾶσιν ὑμῖν·
- TBT 2 Tim. 4:6 έγω γαρ ήδη σπένδομαι, καὶ ὁ καιρὸς τῆς ἐμῆς ἀναλύσεως ἐφέστηκε.





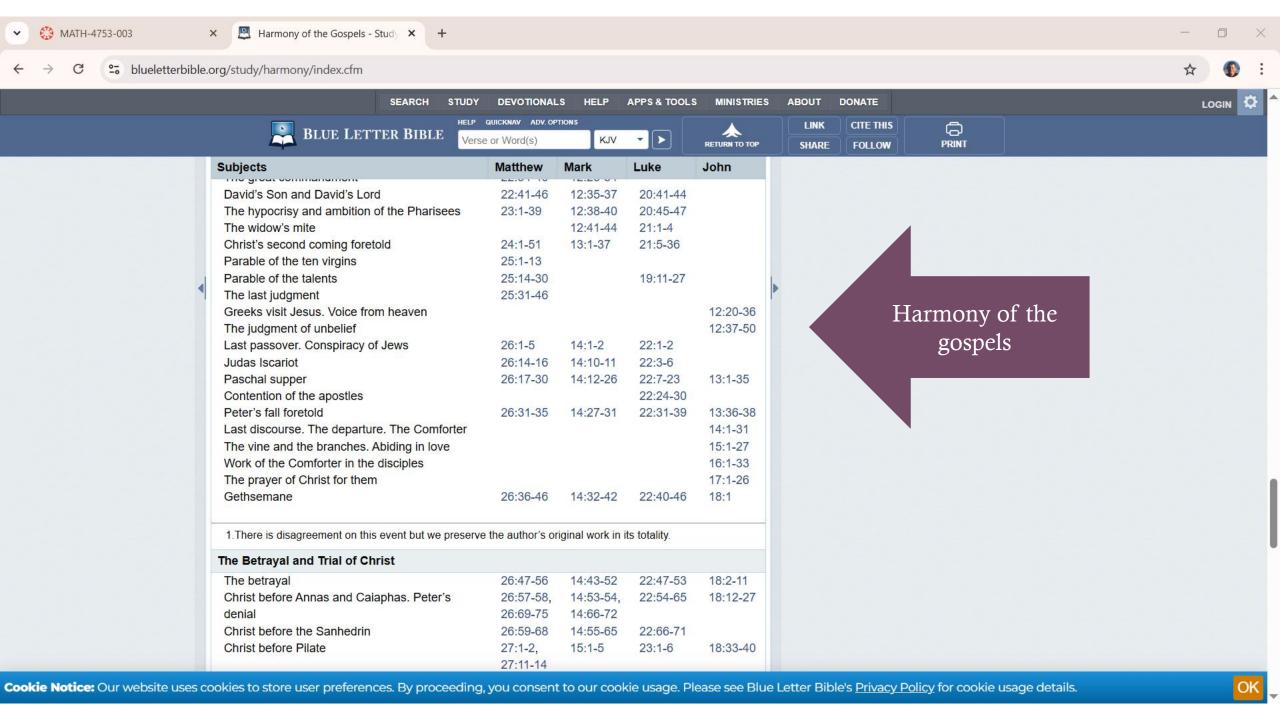
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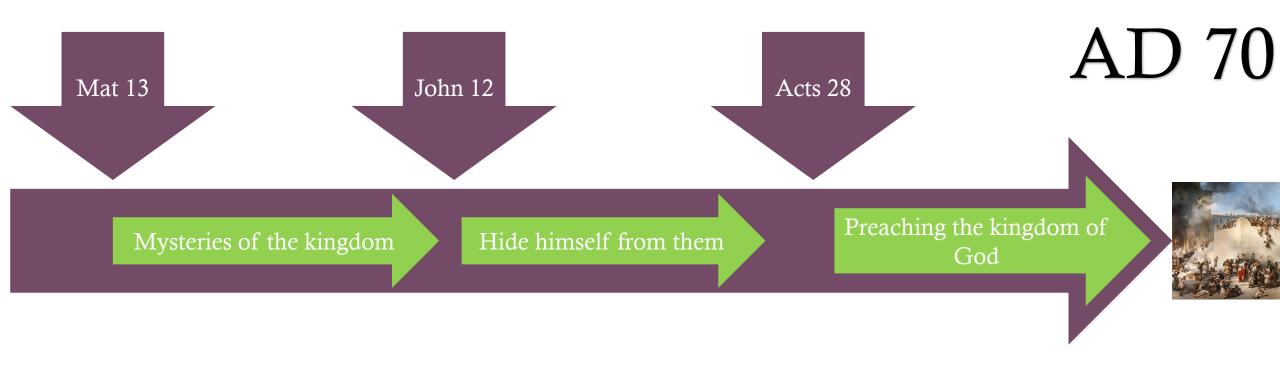
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ISAIAH 6:9-10

- Mat. 13:13-15
- John 12:40
- Acts 28:25-27





MATT 22:1-7 SEE COMPANION BIBLE NOTES VS 7

7 thereof. See the varied supply of the Ellipsis after "heard" in vv. 7, 22, and 33.
his armies. The Roman armies.
burned up their city. Gr. emprēthō. Occ. only here.
This refers to the destruction of Jerusalem, which took

place shortly after the close of the Acts Dispensation.

INTENTION TO GO TO SPAIN THROUGH ROME

• KJV Romans 15:24 Whensoever I take my journey into Spain, I will come to you: for I trust to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, if first I be somewhat filled with your company.1 (Rom. 15:24 KJV)

BEFORE AGRIPPA

- 6 But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee;
- 17 Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee,
- (Acts 26:16-17 KJV)

NOT DISOBEDIENT

- 9 Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision:
- 20 But shewed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance.
- (Acts 26:19-20 KJV)

1THES. 1:9-10

- 9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God;
- 10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.
- (1 Thess. 1:9-10 KJV)

NONE OTHER THINGS

• TBT Acts 26:22 ἐπικουρίας οὖν τυχὼν τῆς παρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἄχρι τῆς ἡμέρας ταύτης ἕστηκα μαρτυρούμενος μικρῷ τε καὶ μεγάλῳ, ούδὲν ἐκτὸς λέγων ὧν τε οὶ προφῆται ἐλάλησαν μελλόντων γίνεσθαι καὶ Μωσῆς,

• KJV Acts 26:22 Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come:

NOTE THE QUALIFIER

• ΤΒΤ Acts 26:23 εί παθητὸς ὁ Χριστός, εί πρῶτος ἐξ ἀναστάσεως νεκρῶν φῶς μέλλει καταγγέλλειν τῷ λαῷ καὶ τοῖς ἔθνεσι.

• KJV Acts 26:23 That Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.

Acts 26: 6
Judged for the hope of the promise

ACTS CONTEXT MUST BE SEEN IN THE EPISTLES OF THE PERIOD

From C.H Welch pg 14

The Apostle of the

Reconciliation



IN ROMANS: SIGNS AND WONDERS

• TBT Romans 15:19 ἐν δυνάμει σημείων καὶ τεράτων, ἐν δυνάμει Πνεύματος Θεοῦ· ὥστε με ἀπὸ Ἱερουσαλὴμ καὶ κύκλῳ μέχρι τοῦ Ἰλλυρικοῦ πεπληρωκέναι τὸ εύαγγέλιον τοῦ Χριστοῦ·

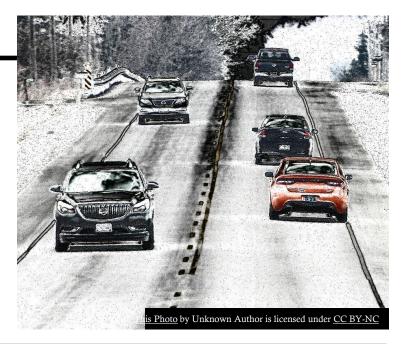
• KJV Romans 15:19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

GALATIANS

- TBT Galatians 3:13 Χριστὸς ἡμᾶς ἐξηγόρασεν ἐκ τῆς κατάρας τοῦ νόμου, γενόμενος ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν κατάρα· γέγραπται γάρ, Ἐπικατάρατος πᾶς ὁ κρεμάμενος ἐπὶ ξύλου· 14 ἵνα είς τὰ ἔθνη ἡ εύλογία τοῦ Ἀβραὰμ γένηται ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ, ἵνα τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν τοῦ Πνεύματος λάβωμεν διὰ τῆς πίστεως.
- KJV Galatians 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: 14 That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.









LIFE ON THE HIGHWAYS: AN EXPOSITION OF JOHN'S GOSPEL

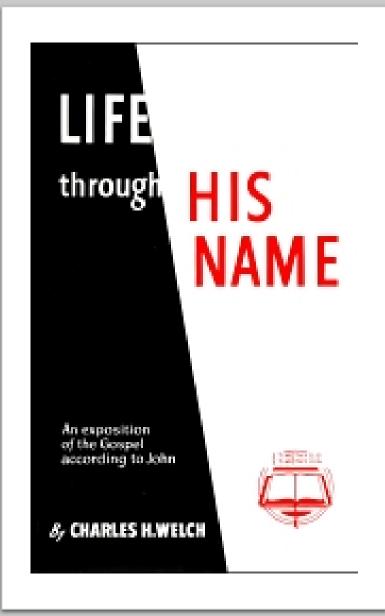
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MODUS OPERANDI (LAT.: METHOD OF WORKING)

- Learn quickly from what has been established
 - Use Welch's "Life through his name" commentary on John.
- Ask and answer "good" questions:
 - From biblical context
 - Assuming what we strongly believe to be true
- Refashion our systematic to conform to the scriptures rightly divided







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- Cool summaries
- Lots of linking passages
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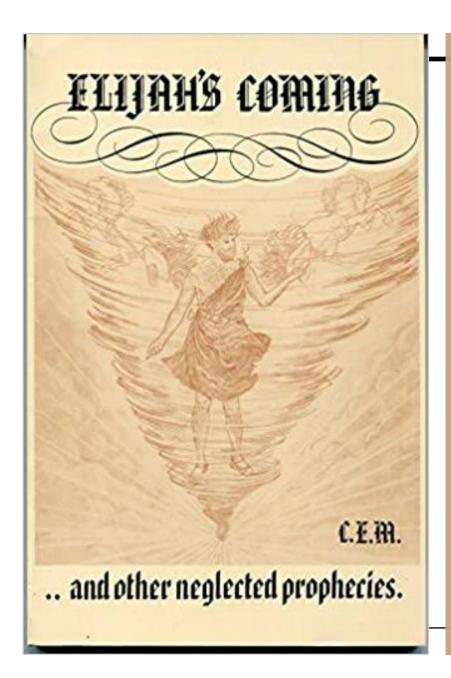
JOHN AND THE MYSTERY

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SECOND BOOK: ALSO USEFUL TO OUR STUDY

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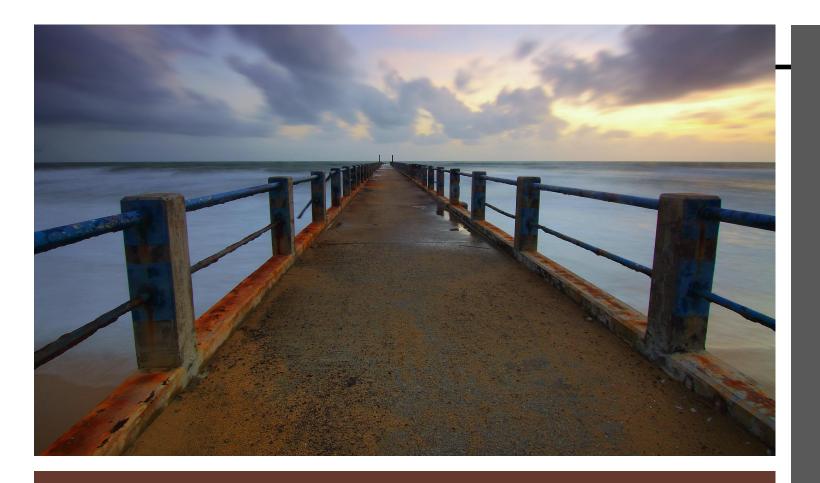


THIRD BOOK: ELIJAH'S
COMING (NOT
DEDICATED TO "JOHN" –
BUT OVERLAPS IDEAS
WE WILL DISCUSS)





MOTIVATION



JOHN 20:30-31

- KJV John 20:30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:
- 31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

"THE WORLD", 5.1,6.4"FEAST OF THE JEWS", 20.16 RABBI

KOSMOS

• Jn. 1:9-10, 29; 3:16-17, 19; 4:42; 6:14, 33, 51; 7:4, 7; 8:12, 23, 26; 9:5, 39; 10:36; 11:9, 27; 12:19, 25, 31, 46-47; 13:1; 14:17, 19, 22, 27, 30-31; 15:18-19; 16:8, 11, 20-21, 28, 33; 17:5-6, 9, 11-16, 18, 21, 23-25; 18:20, 36-37; 21:25

SOME QUESTIONS

- How does Israel become Lo-ammi –does it happen all at once?
- What happens when Israel/Judah becomes Lo-ammi?
- Does the prophecy stop?
- Does God stop using Israel's prophets?

... οὶ δὲ κεκλημένοι ούκ ἦσαν ἄξιοι. (Mat 22:8 TBT)

KJV **Revelation 19:9** And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed *are* they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

ΤΒΤ **Revelation 19:9** καὶ λέγει μοι, Γράψον, Μακάριοι οἱ εἰς τὸ δεῖπνον τοῦ γάμου τοῦ ἀρνίου κεκλημένοι. καὶ λέγει μοι, Οὖτοι οἱ λόγοι ἀληθινοί εἰσι τοῦ Θεοῦ.

ACTS 28 – LOOK AGAIN!

- vs23 They appointed him a day
- vs23 Law of Moses and prophets
- vs24 some believed some believed NOT
- vs25 "dismissed" ἀπελύοντο
 - vs25 One word ἡῆμα ἕν
- vs25 Well spoke
- vs26-27 Isa 6:9-10
- vs28 Salvation of God sent they will hear it!
- vs29 These words ταῦτα
 - vs29 the Jews departed ἀπέρχομαι

Compare: Matt. 13:12-

KJV Acts 28:28 Be it known therefore unto you, that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles, and that they will hear it.

Are they
hearing "the
Mystery"?
How about the
Jewish
Kingdom
message?

ΤΒΤ Acts 28:28 γνωστὸν οὖν ἔστω ὑμῖν, ὅτι τοῖς ἔθνεσιν ἀπεστάλη τὸ σωτήριον τοῦ Θεοῦ, αὐτοὶ καὶ ἀκούσονται.

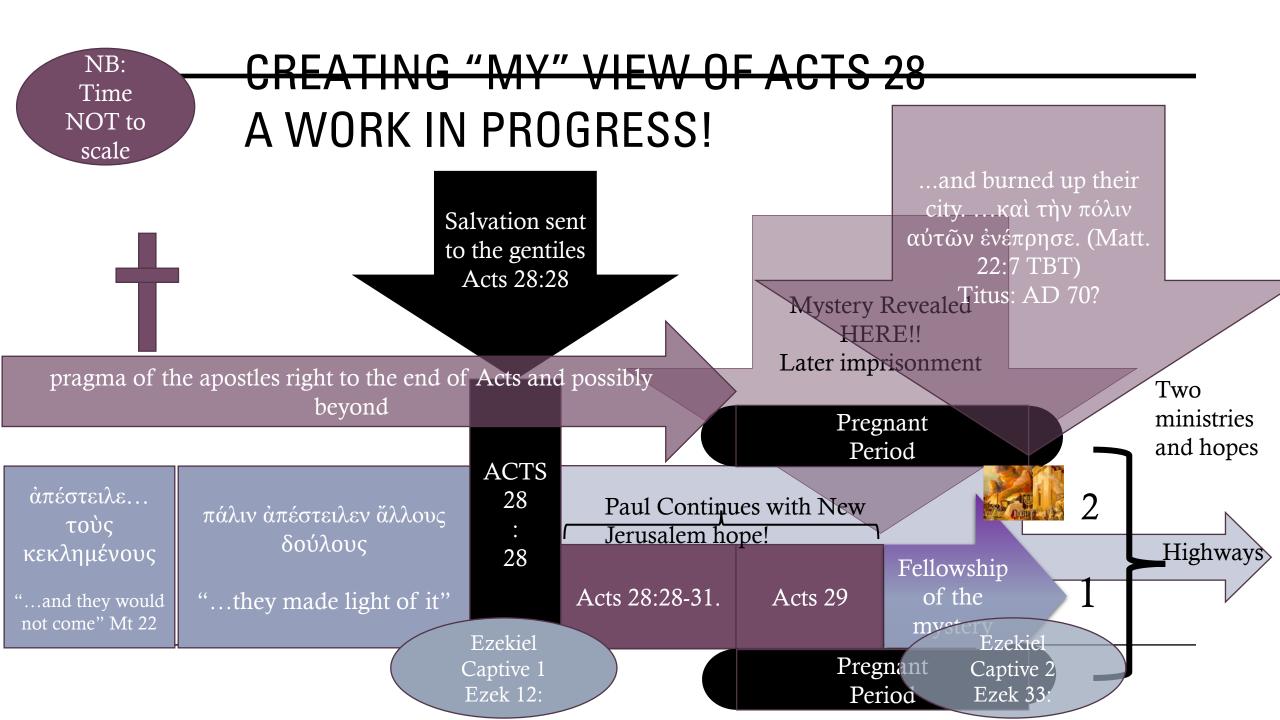
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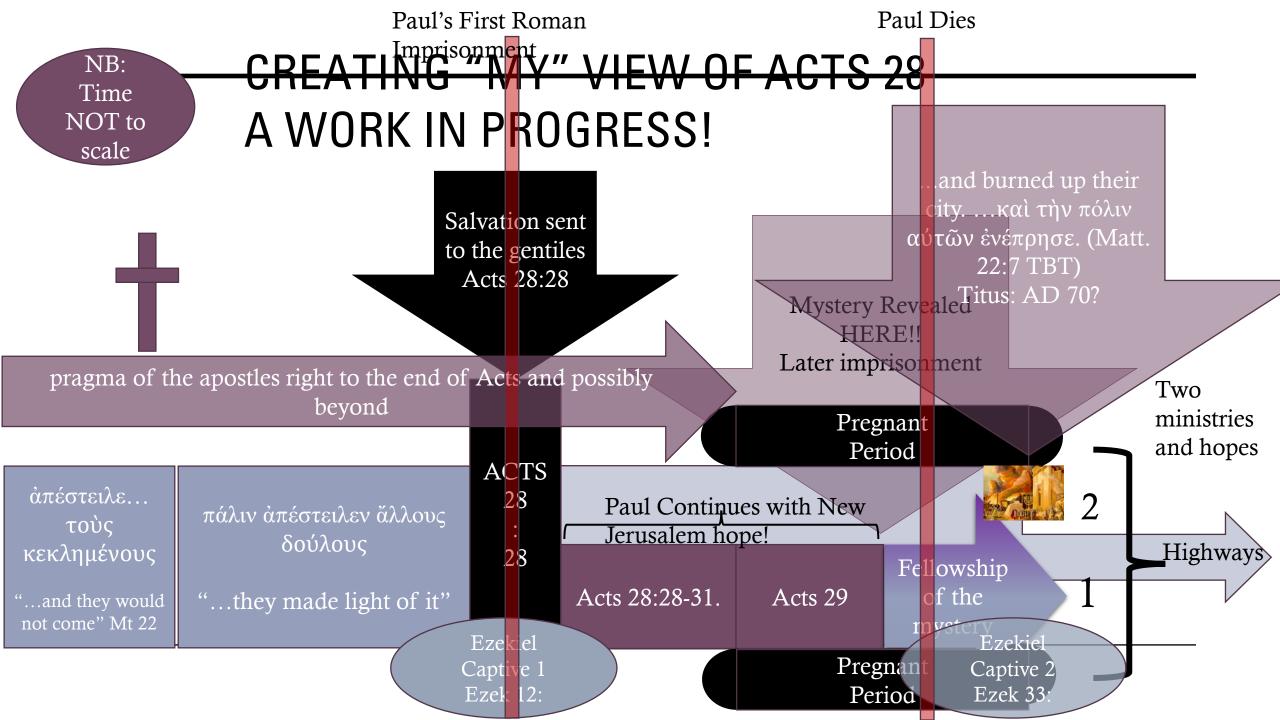
"THEY DEPARTED"

• Matt. 1:19; 5:31-32; 14:15, 22-23; 15:23, 32, 39; 18:27; 19:3, 7-9; 27:15, 17, 21, 26; Mk. 6:36, 45; 8:3, 9; 10:2, 4, 11-12; 15:6, 9, 11, 15; Lk. 2:29; 6:37; 8:38; 9:12; 13:12; 14:4; 16:18; 23:16, 18, 20, 22, 25; Jn. 18:39; 19:10, 12; Acts 3:13; 4:21, 23; 5:40; 13:3; 15:30, 33; 16:35-36; 17:9; 19:40; 23:22; 26:32; 28:18, 25; Heb. 13:23

[Fri] ἀπολύω impf. ἀπέλυον; fut. ἀπολύσω; 1aor. ἀπέλυσα; pf. pass. ἀπολέλυμαι; 1aor. pass. ἀπελύθην; fut. pass. ἀπολυθήσομαι; (1) of a prisoner or debtor set free, release, pardon (MT 27.15); (2) of divorce send away, dismiss, let go (MT 1.19; 19.3); (3) of a crowd or assembly dismiss, send away (MT 14.15); (4) middle go away, depart (AC 28.25); (5) euphemistically, for death let die, let depart (LU 2.29) ἀπολῦσαι VNAA ἀπολύω







The Mystery Revealed after Acts 28

ACTS 28:1-31 • (29) FREE

Prison Epistles Containing the Mystery Paul's latter life and final execution



ACTS 28:28



Lo-Ammi

Later Imprisonment

SUPERNATURAL GIFTS STILL AVAILABLE PAST ACTS 28 EVEN POST MYSTERY AND PRE AD 70.

- KJV 2 Timothy 1:6 Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands. (2 Tim. 1:6 KJV)
- KJV 1 **Timothy 4:14** Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery. (1 Tim. 4:14 KJV)
- KJV 1 Timothy 1:20 Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme. (1 Tim. 1:20 KJV)
- KJV 1 Timothy 1:18 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest war a good warfare;(1 Tim. 1:18 KJV)
- KJV Ephesians 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;(Eph. 4:11 KJV)

MOTIVATION

- Can two dispensations run together?
- Paul said near the end of his life:
- KJV **2 Timothy 4:1** I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
- TBT 2 Timothy 4:1 Διαμαρτύρομαι οὖν ἐγὼ ἐνώπιον τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, τοῦ μέλλοντος κρίνειν ζῶντας καὶ νεκροὺς κατὰ τὴν ἐπιφάνειαν αύτοῦ καὶ τὴν βασιλείαν αύτοῦ,

"ABOUT TO JUDGE"

Young's Literal Translation

I do fully testify, then, before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who is about to judge living and dead at his manifestation and his reign –

Weymouth New Testament

I solemnly implore you, in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus who is about to judge the living and the dead, and by His Appearing and His Kingship:

• Darby Bible Translation

I testify before God and Christ Jesus, who is about to judge living and dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom,

• Berean Literal Bible

I earnestly declare before God and Christ Jesus, the *One* being about to judge *the* living and *the* dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom:

TEXTBOOK: I WILL QUOTE LIBERALLY FROM THIS TEXT

LIFE THROUGH HIS NAME

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an exposition of the Gospel of John

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etc.

POINT OF VIEW

LIFE THROUGH HIS NAME

CHAPTER 1

Introduction

A Question of View Point

BASIS OF OUR BLESSINGS - GOES BACK TO CHRIST

AND HIS SUFFERINGS

3 important points concerning the gospels

(1) The historic facts which they record are basic. The birth, death, resurrection and ascension of the Lord are fundamental to doctrinal and practical truth.

'If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain' (1 Cor. 15:14).

(2) While the Gospels are, in a sense, complete in themselves, the Lord told His disciples that there was still further truth to be revealed to them when the Spirit of Truth should come.

'I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now' (John 16:12).

(3) There is a Divine purpose in the fact that the earthly life of our Lord is recorded from four different aspects. The only One Who could have inspired a single complete account of that life and ministry has not done so, but has been pleased to inspire four different writers to write individual and selective accounts from four different points of view.

- MATTHEW. The point of view of this writer is that of the Kingdom, and his readers are Jews and Jewish believers. He begins with Abraham.
- MARK. This Gospel follows the same line as that of Matthew, but is shorter and omits some subject matter that would not appeal to the Gentile proselytes, for whom the account was primarily intended.
- LUKE. Luke writes for the Gentiles evangelized by Paul. He goes back to Adam.
- JOHN. John's point of view is to be discovered. All we will say at the moment is that in 20:31 the apostle has plainly indicated the great object he had in mind in writing his account of the ministry of Christ.

JOHN WROTE FOR NON-JEWS

That John wrote for non-Jewish readers is at once evident, for it is obvious that no Jew needed to be told that the 'Passover' was a feast of the Jews, or that 'Rabboni' meant My Master. Here is further evidence that non-Jewish readers are in view:

The *world* is the sphere of John's ministry.

The fact that Jewish customs are explained.

The rejection of the Lord by His own people is at the very forefront of the Gospel.

No mention is made of the Lord's Supper, the New Covenant feast.

The ascension is emphasized.

The 'Word' in John 1:1 is parallel with the 'Image' in Colossians 1:15.

The prayer of John 17 is, among other things, that 'the world' may know.

Miracles are not mentioned as such; they are called 'signs'.

THE EIGHT SIGNS

A 2:1-11.THE MARRIAGE IN CANA. The third day. No wine. Glory manifested.

B 4:46-54. THE NOBLEMAN'S SON. After two days. At the point of death.

C 5:1-15. THE IMPOTENT MAN The Pool of Bethesda.

Thirty-eight years.

Sabbath. Sin.

D 6:1-14. FEEDING FIVE THOUSAND. Many went back (6:66).

D 6:15-21. WALKING ON THE SEA. Many of the people believed (7:31).

C 9:1-14. The Man Born blind. The Pool of Siloam. From Birth. Sabbath. Sin.

B 11:1-44. THE SISTERS' BROTHER. Two days. Lazarus is dead.

A 21:1-14. THE DRAUGHT OF FISHES The third time. No meat. The Lord magnified.

JOHN'S GOSPEL PAUL'S EPISTLES

BEREAN TWO MINISTRIES SINCE ACTS 28 NUMBER CHARTS. JOHN GUESTS, PAUL BODY. THIRTEEN.						
First invitation to Marriage.						
	invitation	to Marri	age.			
(Acts) Israel set	ostae		estroyed.			
John the Paul the Prisoner Elder						
	Christ, th		TheWord			
Only		orn	Begotten			
	Fulness-y		we receive			
Children	Adoption		of God			
Heavenly	Heavenly		things			
Fromheaven	Far above al	l heavens	above all			
Where before	He asce	nded	lascend			
Friend of	Perfect	Man	Bridegroom			
Other	Past	ors	sheen			
World	Pr. & Powers		may Know			
Vine &	Head & M		branches			
Clory before	Chosen bef					
Many	Manifested					
Goshelo			<u>sians</u>			
The World		The Church				
Non-Jewish		To Gentiles				
Jn.i.II.=Acts xxvIII.		Mystery				
The other sheep		Israel set aside				
Sigr)S (41.35.	No miraculous gifts.				

HISTORICAL EVIDENCE AND SCOPE

antiquity. We give a few pointed references. Clement of Alexandria (A.D. 150-215) writes:

'St. John, the last (of the evangelists), when he saw that the outward bodily facts had been set forth in the (existing) Gospels, impelled by his friends (and) divinely moved by the Spirit, made a spiritual Gospel'.

WORD FREQUENCIES – SHOWING HOW JOHN DIFFERS

	Word.	John's Gospel.		Synoptic Gospels.	
Kosmos	THE WORLD	79	times	15	times.
Ho Pater	THE FATHER (used of GOD)	121	,,	66	,,
Martureo	WITNESS	33	,,	3	,,
Aletheia	Truth	25	,,	7	,,
Pempo	SEND	33	,,	15	,,
Teleioo	Finish	19	,,	2	,,

These six words, which are so characteristic of John's message, would, if studied together, throw considerable light upon the special purpose of his Gospel.

MATTH. - Christ is set forth as KING. 'Behold *thy King*' (Zech. 9:9).

Christ is set forth as David's BRANCH. 'Behold ... I will raise unto David a righteous *Branch* and a King shall reign and prosper' (Jer. 23:5,6; 33:15).

Christ's *genealogy* is therefore given from Abraham through David (Matt. 1:1-17).

Christ, *relatively*, presented as in the highest earthly position, a KING.

MARK.- Christ is set forth as SERVANT. 'Behold *My Servant*' (Isa. 42:1).

Christ is set forth as the BRANCH. 'Behold I will bring forth My Servant, *the Branch*' (Zech. 3:8).

Christ as a servant, needs no genealogy.

Christ, *relatively*, presented as in the lowliest earthly position, a SERVANT.

LUKE.- Christ is set forth as MAN. 'Behold the Man' (Zech. 6:12).

Christ is set forth as the BRANCH. 'Behold the man whose name is *the Branch*' (Zech. 6:12).

Christ's *genealogy* is traced back to Adam.

Christ, *intrinsically*, presented as the ideal MAN.

JOHN.- Christ is set forth as GOD. 'Behold *your God*' (Isa. 40:9). Christ is set forth as Jehovah's BRANCH. 'In that day shall Jehovah's *Branch* be beautiful and glorious' (Isa. 4:2). Christ, as God can have no *genealogy*. He 'was' in the beginning.

Christ, *intrinsically*, presented as 'GOD', mediatorially as the 'WORD', and savingly as 'JESUS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD', 'THE WORD MADE FLESH'.

JOHN

A 1:1-18. The PROLOGUE. The theme enunciated.

A 1:19 to 21:25. The GOSPEL. The theme elaborated.

ELABORATING THE SECOND MEMBER A

Taking the second member A, we can set it out in its simplest form as follows:

B 1:19-51. WITNESSES.

C 2:1 to 21:14. SIGNS.

B 21:15-25. WITNESSES.

FURTHER STRUCTURE IN B, B

- B 1:19-51. WITNESSES.
 - a 1:19-34. The witness of John the Baptist. 'This is the record ... I saw and bare record'.
 - **b** 1:35-51. Andrew, Simon the son of Jona, Philip,

Nathanael. 'Follow Me.'

- *B* 21:15-25. WITNESSES.
 - b 21:15-23. Simon Peter, Son of Jonas, John. 'Follow Me'.
 - a 21:24,25. The witness of John. 'We know that his testimony is true'.

THE EIGHT SIGNS

The Eight Signs (2:1 to 21:14)

FIRST SIGN. MARRIAGE AT CANA (2:1-11).

'My meat ... to finish His work' (ergon).

'Now we believe' (pisteuo) (2:13 to 4:42).

SECOND SIGN. NOBLEMAN'S SON. 'Except ye see signs' (4:43-52). 'He believed' (pisteuo) (4:53,54).

THIRD SIGN. IMPOTENT MAN (5:1-15).

'My Father worketh ... and I work' (ergon).

'Believe on Him that sent Me' (pisteuo) (5:16-47).

FOURTH AND FIFTH SIGNS. 5,000 FED. WALKING ON SEA (6:1/25).

'This is the work (ergon) of God that ye believe (pisteuo) ... the works of your father' (6 to 8).

SIXTH SIGN. MAN BORN BLIND (9:1-41).

'The works (ergon) ... in My Father's name bear witness'.

'Ye believed not' (pisteuo) (10:1-42).

SEVENTH SIGN. SISTERS' BROTHER RAISED (11:/1-46).

'I have finished the work' (ergon).

'That the world may believe' (pisteuo) (11:47 to 20:31).

EIGHTH SIGN. DRAUGHT OF FISHES (21:1-14).

STRUCTURE OF THE INTERVENING LINKS

A 2:13 to 4:42. My meat is ... to finish His work.

B 4:53,54. He believed.

C 5:16-47. My Father worketh ... and I work.

C 6:26 to 8:59. This is the work of God ... the works of your father.

B 10:1-42. The works ... in My Father's name bear witness.

A 11:47 to 20:31. I have finished the work.

JOHN 20:30

'And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name' (30,31).

Any structure that ignores this testimony must be faulty, and consequently misleading. We were therefore obliged to start afresh, and the result we commend to the discriminating reader.