

Khaleila Davis

NT 624NA/ NLS John

ATS, Spring 2021

HW #2: Ch 4 (p. 59)

1. **What does John's Prologue identify Jesus as "the Word"?** The prologue is the introduction that presents the outline of the narrative and the essence of John's theology. John identifies that the word, was God, with God and here in the beginning before anything else came to be. He shares how the word became flesh, who is Jesus Christ.
2. **How does the depiction of Jesus as "the Word" relate to John's Gospel as a whole?** Jesus is the only member of the Godhead Who takes on physical form, He is the member of the Godhead responsible for creating all things physical. According to John in chapter 1, all things were made by and through Jesus. Jesus came to show us who God is through his words and works.
3. **What was the purpose of the incarnation?** The purpose of the Incarnation was to reveal God to us. Also, to provide an example for our lives on how we ought to live. And lastly, provide an atonement for our sins that we might be reconciled to God.

Ch 5 (p. 78)

1. **Briefly summarize the first week of Jesus' ministry recorded in John 1:19-2:11 and show how John here begins to flesh out his presentation of Jesus as the preexistent, incarnate Word in the Prologue.** John records Jesus first week with His baptism, demonstration of His first sign and selecting His disciples. This entire week shows the identification of the Son of God by a witness, John the Baptiste, then showing the power of God through the sign and calling those follow Him to learn and be used to continue His Great Commission.
2. **Pinpoint the role of John the Baptiste in relationship to Jesus according to John.** John the Baptist roles was to be a witness that Jesus was the light. His role was to identify the Son of God and make sure those who followed him knew that John himself was not Jesus. He was also serving as a lamp to lead people and prepare them what Jesus was going to do.
3. **Describe the essence of Jesus' first sign at Cana.** Jesus is shown to fill the depleted resources of Judaism. Jesus ca. n turn what is ordinary to man into something extraordinary. It also shows that not only does God do the extraordinary when he touches it but believes his bridegroom deserves great quality.
4. **Explain the significance of Jesus' cleansing of the temple, including a discussion of the question of whether John and the Synoptics record one or two temple cleansings.** The cleansing of the Temple signifies that God holiness and purity cannot tolerate defilement. The recordings of the cleansing of the temples by John and the Synoptics seem to be different instances of the temple cleansing due to chronological order referenced in John and differing Gospels.