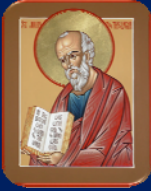


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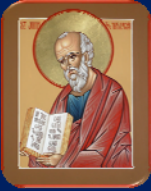
Answering Ten Questions

- 6) Why was it written?
- 7) What is it about?
- 8) How does the writer accomplish his goal?
- 9) What is inside (outline)?
- 10) What makes the book different?



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Johannine Authorship




External evidence: Irenaeus
(Irenaeus' opinion on this matter is weighty since he was a disciple of Polycarp who in turn was a disciple of John).

Other sources: Clement of Alexandria, Tertullian, Origen, Hippolytus, Theophilus of Antioch, Eusebius, Clement of Rome, Cyril of Jerusalem, Papias, Justin Martyr, Augustine, and Jerome.

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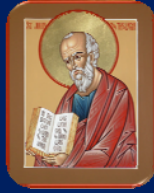
Internal evidence:

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- ◆ Resident of Israel
- ◆ Eyewitness
- ◆ One of the 12
- ◆ Inner 3
- ◆ Similarity with 1–3 John

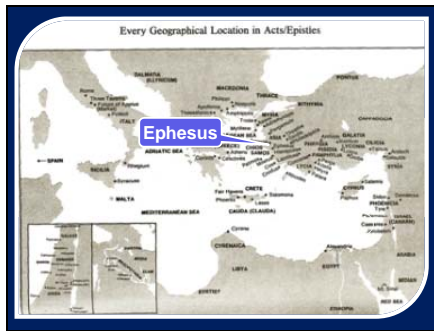
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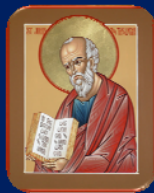
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Caesar	100-44 BC	AD 900	1,000 yrs	10
Plato	427-347 BC	900 AD	1,200 yrs	7
Thucydides	460-400 BC	AD 900	1,300 yrs	8
Tacitus	AD 100	AD 1100	1,000 yrs	20
Suetonius	AD 75-160	AD 950	900 yrs	8
Homer (<i>Iliad</i>)	900 BC	400 BC	500 yrs	643
New Testament	AD 40-100	AD 125	25-50 yrs	>24,000!

<http://creationrevolution.com/2012/05/should-we-trust-the-bible/>

Cross References

Rev 1:11- "Write in a book what you see, and send *it* to the seven churches: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

John 5:24- "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life."

John 1:14- And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 14:26- But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you.

John 12:37-But though He had performed so many signs before them, *yet* they were not believing in Him.

John 2:11- This beginning of *His* signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him.

John 4:54- This is again a second sign that Jesus performed when He had come out of Judea into Galilee.

Exod 3:14- God said to Moses, " I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, ' I AM has sent me to you.'"

John 4:9- Therefore the Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask me for a drink since I am a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.)

John 3:19-21- This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds

were evil. For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his deeds will be exposed. "But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God.

Heb 13:20-21-Now the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, *even* Jesus our Lord, equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* the glory forever and ever. Amen.