

John's Narrative Structure: An Outline

1. Prologue & Preparation (John 1:1-51)
 - a. Hymnic Prologue (1:1-18)
 - b. Witness of John the Testifier (1:19-36)
 - c. The First Disciples (1:37-51)

2. Ministry of Revelation (2:1-12:50)
 - a. First Signs (2:1-22)
 - b. In Jerusalem for First Passover (2:23-3:21)
 - c. In Judea/John's Testimony (3:22-3:36)
 - d. A Teaching Opportunity In Samaria (4:1-42)
 - e. Signs in Galilee (4:43-54)
 - f. Testimony and Opposition in Jerusalem (5:1-47)
 - g. The Bread of Life (6:1-71)
 - h. Conflict in the Temple (7:1-8:59)
 - i. Blindness and Sight (9:1-41)
 - j. More Testimony and Opposition in Jerusalem (10:1-42)
 - k. The Raising of Lazarus (11:1-44)
 - l. The Plot to Destroy Jesus (11:45-57)
 - m. Preparing for the End (12:1-50)

3. Passion (13:1-19:42)
 - a. Revelation to the Disciples (13:1-16:33)
 - b. Praying for the Disciples (17:1-26)
 - c. Arrest, Judgment, Glorification (18:1-19:42)

4. Vindication (20:1-31)
 - a. Empty tomb
 - b. 1st Resurrection Appearance: Mary Magdalene
 - c. 2nd Resurrection Appearance: Disciples (without Thomas)
 - d. 3rd Resurrection Appearance: Disciples (with Thomas)

5. Epilogue (21:1-25)
 - a. Breakfast on the beach (21:1-14)
 - b. Redeeming Peter (21:15-19)
 - c. The Beloved Disciple (21:20-25)