

ANCCI UNIVERSITY
THE FOURTH GOSPEL: BS 204

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RATIONALE

- For many Christians the Gospel according to John is the most precious book in the New Testament. It is the book above which feeds their minds and nourish their hearts and in which they rest their soul
- Of the four living creatures in *Revelation 4:7* John is liken to the eagle, because of all living creatures, it is the only creature which can look straight to the sun and not be dazzled.
- “John has the most penetrating gaze into the mysteries and the eternal truth and the very mind of God”. William Barclay

OBJECTION

- To learn that Jesus is truly God and truly human
- To discuss seven miraculous signs and seven I am saying
- To learn the art of evangelism
- To achieve the author's objective: “that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, and that believing you may have eternal life in his name”

STRATEGY

- To study the background and the contents of the book

- **OUTLINE OF THE CONTENTS**
- Prologue and theme 1:1-18
- Introduction of Jesus 1:19-4:54
- Jesus ministry as the Son of God 5:1-10:42
- Crises in Jerusalem 11:1-12:50
- Jesus with his disciples 13:1-17:26
- Trial, death and resurrection 18:1-19:42
- Appearances of the Risen Lord and conclusion 20:1-21:25

EVALUATION

Write a 10-15 (undergraduate) 20-25 graduate 1.5 spaced term paper. Discussing one of “I am” statements of Jesus, showing its roots in the Old Testament concept of God and how it relate to Jesus' miraculous signs and Jesus relationship with the Father and the believers. .ANCCIU system of grading will be employed

TEXT BOOK

The Holy Bible. New international version

William Barclay. *The Gospel of John*. Philadelphia. The Westminster press. 1975

Tokunboh Adeyemo. *African Bible Commentary*. Zandervan, 2006 can be ordered at >amazon.com<