Exploring John’s Christology

**1.** Circle the passage that your group has been assigned.

 John 1:35–51 John 2:1–11 John 3:1–15 John 4:4–42 John 6:1–15

**2.** Read the passage carefully. Use biblical or theological dictionaries to look up words you don’t understand.

**3.** Using the critical questioning method, write questions on your passage, following the critical questioning strategy. Write three questions for each level (for a total of nine questions). You don’t need to answer the questions in writing, but be sure you can answer them aloud if asked. Write your questions in the blank space provided.

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**4.** When you form a new group with students who have read the other passages, use a new sheet of paper to take brief notes on each of the other four passages.

**5.** Compare your level 3 questions with those of your new group members. What similarities and differences do you notice among these questions? Write some brief observations here.

**6.** Drawing on your observations regarding your level 3 questions, and considering all five passages together, how would you describe John’s Christology? In other words, how is Jesus presented in this Gospel? What aspects of his identity, personality, mission, and power are emphasized? What aspects are downplayed? What portrait of Jesus emerges from these passages? Work together to write responses to these questions.