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# Life on the Highways: An exposition of John's gospel Chapter 11

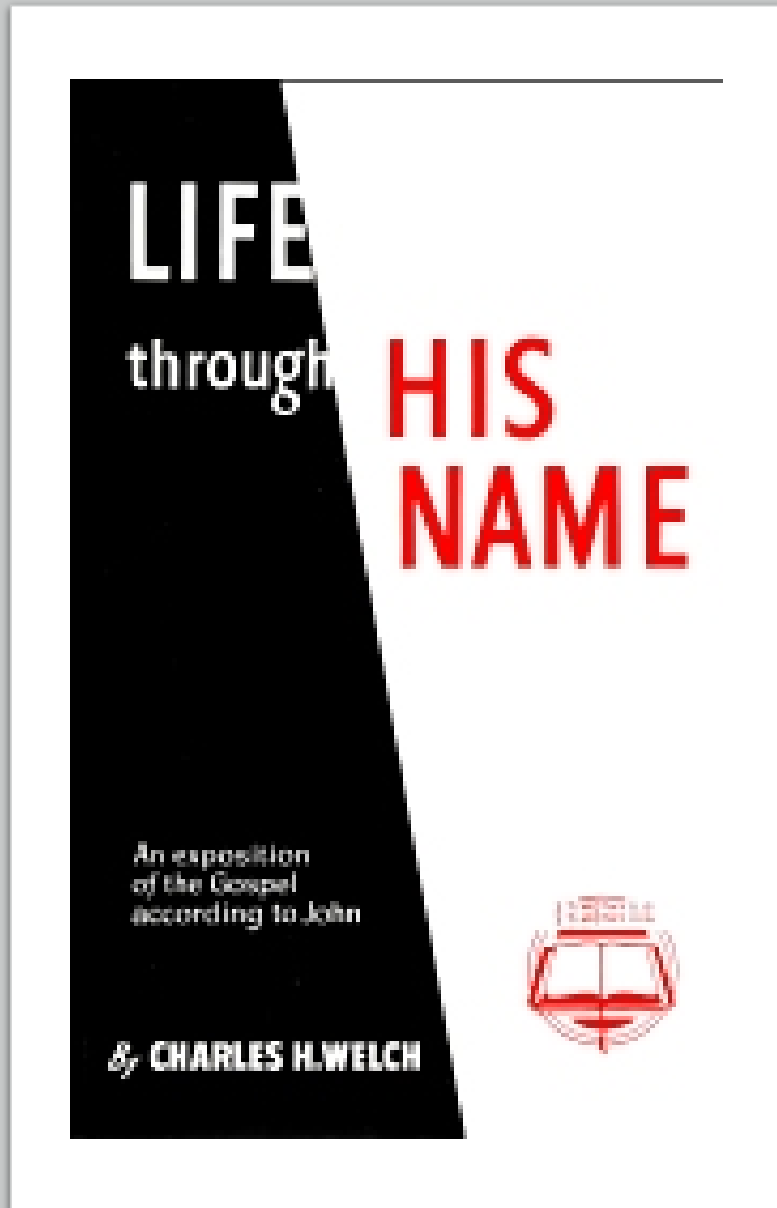
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# Modus Operandi (Lat.: Method of working)

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- Learn quickly from what has been established
  - Use Welch's "Life through his name" commentary on John.
- Ask and answer "good" questions:
  - From biblical context
  - Assuming what we strongly believe to be true
- Refashion our systematic to conform to the scriptures rightly divided





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[https://levendwater.org/books/life through his name.pdf](https://levendwater.org/books/life%20through%20his%20name.pdf)

- Cool summaries
- Lots of linking passages
- Great use of structure to ascertain scope
- Emphasis on Right Division.

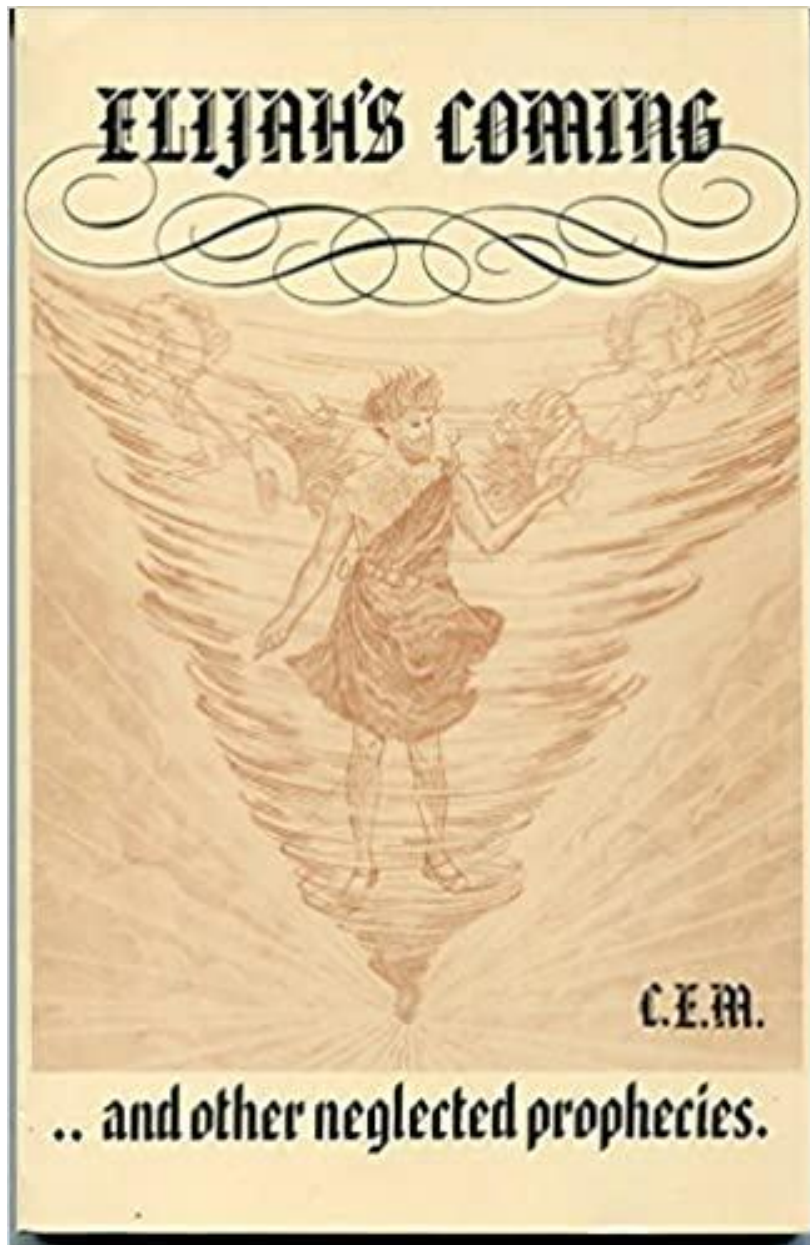
JOHN  
AND THE  
MYSTERY

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Second book: Also  
useful to our study

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Third Book: Elijah's coming (Not dedicated to "John" – but overlaps ideas we will discuss)

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**PARABLE  
MIRACLE  
& SIGN**

G. H. WELCH

Matthew & John  
considered dispensationally

## Forth Book

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Parable, Miracle and Sign

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In this series I will use  
cut/paste from Welch's  
"Life Through His Name"

## The Eight Signs of John's Gospel

A 2:1-11. THE MARRIAGE IN CANA. The third day.  
No wine. Glory manifested.

B 4:43-52. THE NOBLEMAN'S SON. After two days.  
At the point of death.

C 5:1-15. THE IMPOTENT MAN. Pool. 38 years.  
Sabbath. Sin.

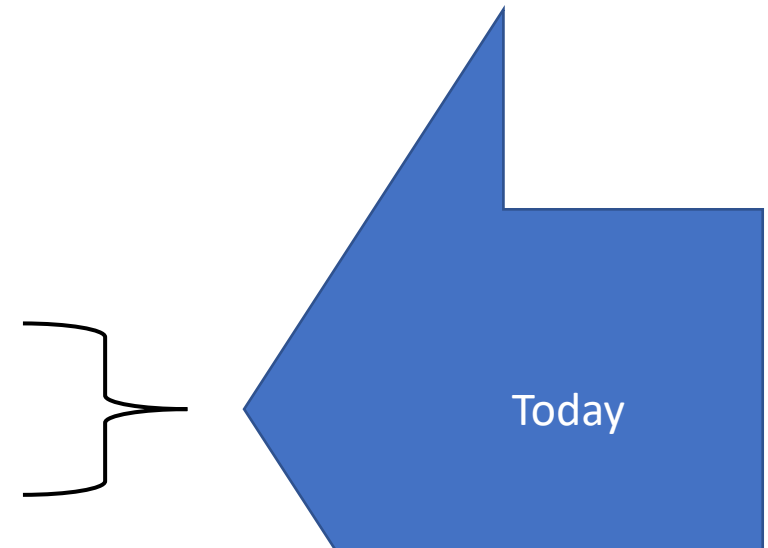
D 6:1-14. FEEDING OF FIVE THOUSAND.  
The only sign (with *D*) recorded in  
the other Gospels.

*D* 6:15-21. WALKING ON THE SEA.  
The only sign (with *D*) recorded in  
the other Gospels.

C 9:1-41. THE MAN BORN BLIND. Pool. From birth.  
Sabbath. Sin.

*B* 11:1-46. THE SISTERS' BROTHER. Two days. Lazarus is  
dead.

*A* 21:1-14. THE DRAUGHT OF FISHES. The third time. No meat.  
Lord manifested.





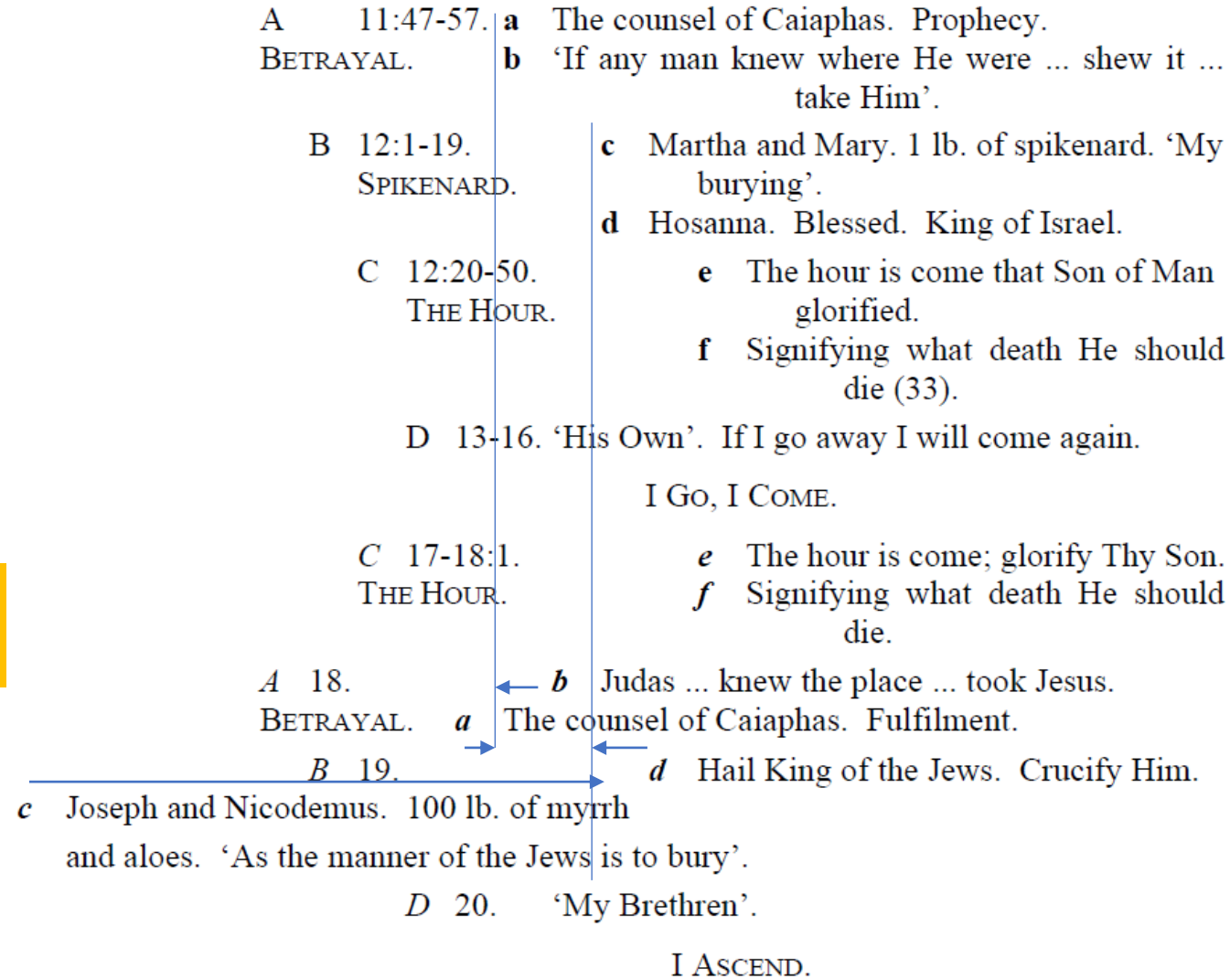
# From Parable Miracle and Sign, pg. 94

While we believe that THE dispensation of the present period covered by Israel's blindness is that entrusted to Paul and called in Ephesians 3:9 (R.V.), 'The dispensation of the mystery', we realize that there are other callings still in progress, and believe that they can be reduced to three main groups:

- (1) Those who believe the revelation of the mystery. These find their calling set out in 'the Prison Epistles'.
- (2) Those whose salvation and doctrine is based upon the great epistle to the Romans.
- (3) The great number of believers today whose 'gospel' is John 3:16, whose comfort is in John 14, who if not the 'Bride' have great affinity with bridal conditions, and who may be among the 'Guests' of the marriage feast. These who may be 'The other sheep' sought by the Lord are the ones who are particularly addressed by John.

Such as are included in the second group are often in a preparatory state, and pass on into the fuller light of the mystery as the truth becomes known to them.

**John 11:47 to 20:31**



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# Interesting intentions of the chief priests

- 10 But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death;
- 11 Because that by reason of him many of the Jews went away, and believed on Jesus. (Jn. 12:10-11 KJV)



# This is the largest of the links 11:47-20:31



First Link

- KJV John 4:34 Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, **and to finish his work.**
- TBT John 4:34 λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς, Ἐμὸν βρῶμά ἐστιν, ἵνα ποιῶ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πέμψαντός με, **καὶ τελειώσω αὐτοῦ τὸ ἔργον.**



Last Link

- KJV John 17:4 I have glorified thee on the earth: **I have finished the work** which thou gavest me to do.
- TBT John 17:4 ἐγὼ σε ἐδόξασα ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς· **τὸ ἔργον ἐτελείωσα** ὃ δέδωκάς μοι ἵνα ποιήσω.

# Formerly the hour had not come – but now...

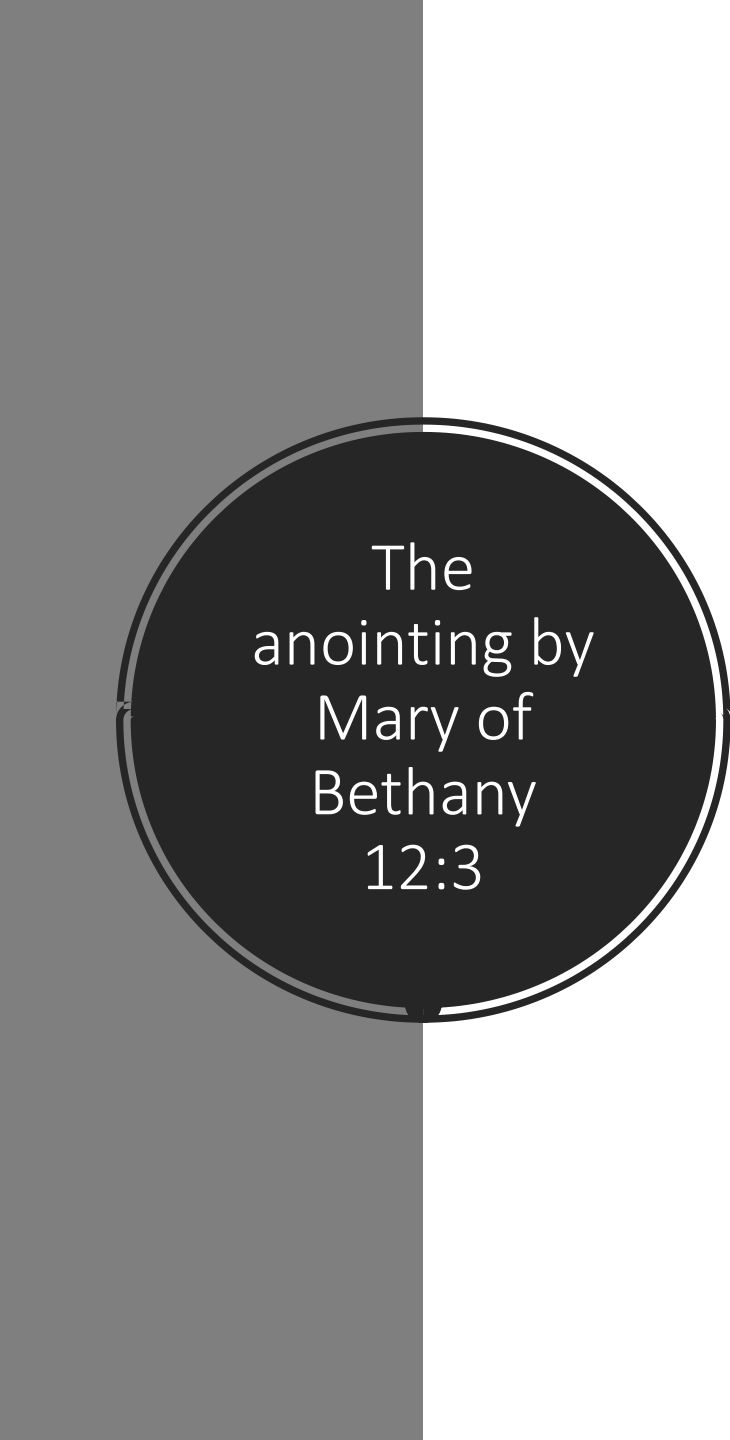
- KJV John 13:1 Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.
- TBT John 13:1 Πρὸ δὲ τῆς ἐορτῆς τοῦ πάσχα, εἰδὼς ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι ἐλήλυθεν αὐτοῦ ἡ ὥρα ἵνα μεταβῆ ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου τούτου πρὸς τὸν πατέρα, ἀγαπήσας τοὺς ἰδίους τοὺς ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, εἰς τέλος ἠγάπησεν αὐτούς.

# The commandment, ἐντολή, ἥς, ἡ

- Jn. 10:18; 11:57; 12:49-50; 13:34; 14:15, 21; 15:10, 12
- KJV John 11:57 **Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment**, that, if any man knew where he were, he should shew it, that they might take him.
- TBT John 11:57 **δεδώκεισαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς καὶ οἱ Φαρισαῖοι ἐντολήν,** ἵνα ἐάν τις γνῶ ποῦ ἐστι, μηνύσῃ, ὅπως πιάσωσιν αὐτόν.

# The hour, commandment and the Father's will

- The first 7 signs ending with the resurrection of Lazarus were consumed with the Father's will and commandment where the hour was not yet come.
- The linking passage is about the "the hour" that had come.
- 11:57 Chief priests and Pharisees gave a commandment
- 10:17,18: The Lord had received a commandment of the Father.
- 13:34 The new commandment was that of Love
- 7:30 No man could take him, 7:32,46



The  
anointing by  
Mary of  
Bethany  
12:3

Worship must be for ever far removed from nice calculating of so much and no more. Worship is associated with the pouring out of the heart, of treasure, of time, of life itself. If the disciples sank so low as to call this outpouring ‘waste’, the Lord’s commendation shows its estimate in His eyes:

‘Let her alone: against the day of My burying hath she kept this’ (12:7).

‘Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her’ (Matt. 26:13).

The burial was His, the memorial hers! Three women named ‘Mary’ are associated with similar acts. Mary of Bethany was early with her gift; Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Salome, brought sweet spices (Mark 16:1,2), but they came too late; and it is not accidental that ‘Mary’ and ‘myrrh’ are both derived from the same Hebrew word.



# John 12 – including the triumphal entry

The Anointing (1-8) anticipated His burial.

The Hosannas (12-19) anticipated His second coming.

The Greeks (20-23) anticipated His wider sphere after the cross.

The Grain of Wheat (24) anticipated His death and resurrection.

The Cross (31-34) anticipated the judgment of this world and of its prince.

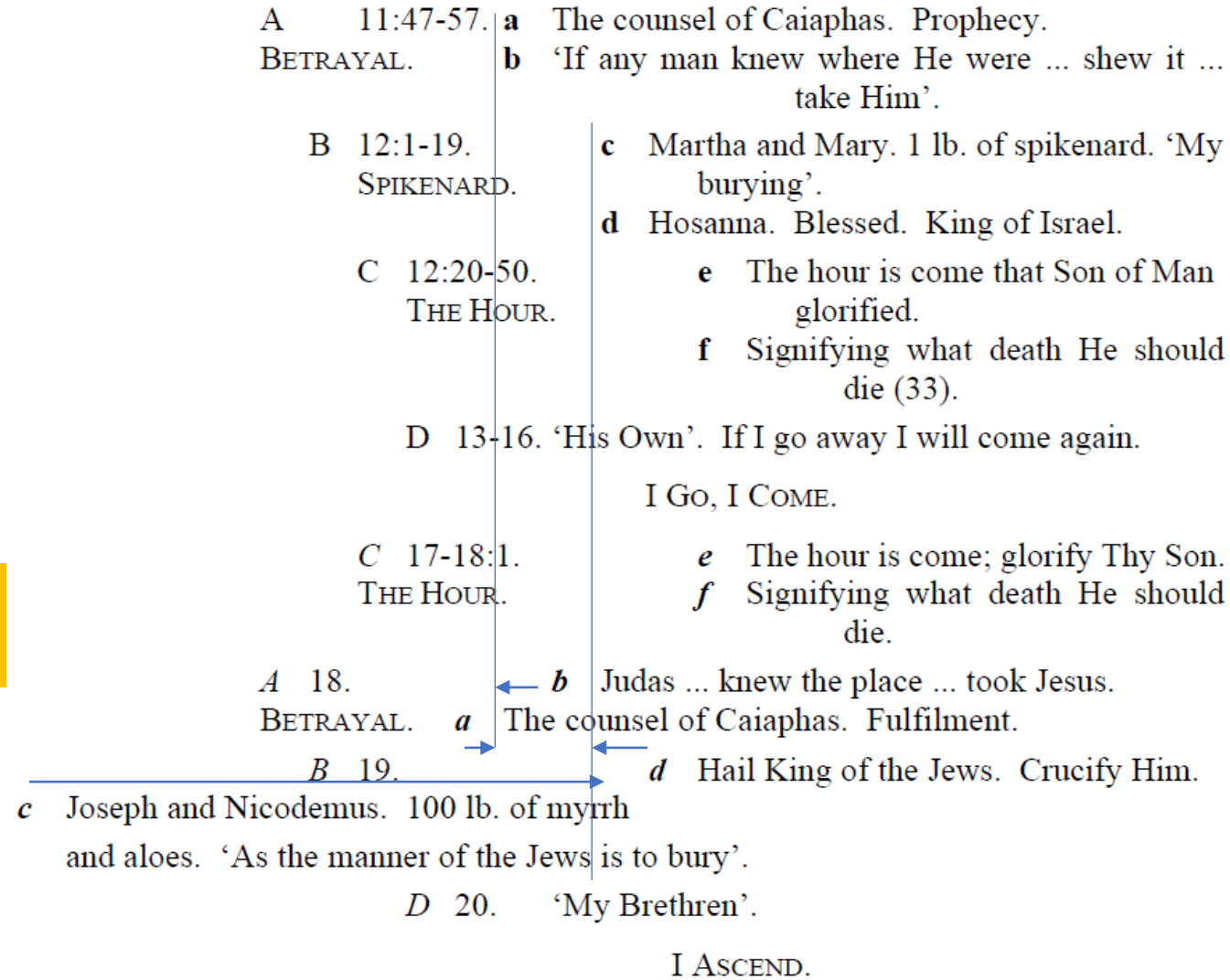
The Blindness (40) anticipated Acts 28.

The Testimony (44-50) summarizes the Message of John's Gospel and anticipates 20:31.

# The gap between the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> sign is huge, why?

- The explanation and meaning of the Lord's death burial and resurrection.
- This was a prophetic plan and was constrained by the circumstances of the word taking on flesh as "the Son of God"
- John fills out the wonder of the crucifixion by pulling together incidents that happened that point to the Lord as Messiah.
- All these ideas are amplified by activities of the Lord, friends and enemies.

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