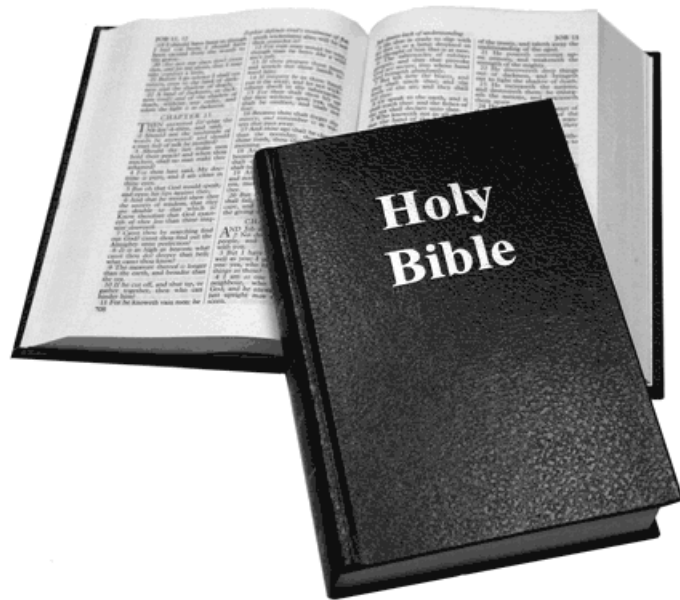


## Studies in John – (Study 10) *God's honour at stake*

Reading: John 2:12-25



*“These things are written so  
that you may believe that  
Jesus is the Christ...”*

Home Fellowship Group Bible Study notes  
Tuesday 26th / Wednesday 27th January

- 1) John mentions three Passovers in the context of Jesus ministry (2:13; 6:4; 11:55f). *Why is this feast so closely related to the ministry of Jesus?*
- 2) What does verse 14 reveal about the spiritual state that the Jews of that day had got themselves into?
- 3) Jesus' response in verse 15 seems violent. Although we have no reason to say that he actually struck anyone it is nevertheless a long way from the picture of 'Gentle Jesus, meek and mild'. *How do we explain Jesus actions?*
- 4) One of the key objections to the ministry of Jesus in both word and deed was the issue of authority (v18). *What other examples of this can you think of and why was the issue so crucial?*
- 5) The Jews in the temple demand a sign of Jesus' authority. Of all the miracles he could have performed he instead offers both a puzzling and provocative sign in verses 19-22. *How would you explain the meaning of what Jesus said?*
- 6) In verses 22-24 we see something of the response to the teaching of Jesus. *What do we learn from those different responses?*