

John 11:45-12:2 – “Therefore / So / But” Outline

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- 1 ⁴⁵ Therefore¹
2 many of the Jews who came to Mary, and saw what He had done, believed in Him.
- 3 ⁴⁶ But²
4 some of them went to the Pharisees and told them the things which Jesus had done.
- 5 ⁴⁷ Therefore
6 the chief priests and the Pharisees convened a council, and were saying, “What are we doing?
7 For this man is performing many signs. ⁴⁸ If we let Him *go on* like this, all men will believe in Him,
8 and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation.”
- 9 ⁴⁹ But
10 one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, “You know nothing at
11 all, ⁵⁰ nor do you take into account that it is expedient for you that one man die for the people, and
12 that the whole nation not perish.”
- 13 ⁵¹ Now
14 he did not say this on his own initiative,
15 but
16 being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus was going to die for the
17 nation, ⁵² and not for the nation only,
18 but
19 in order that He might also gather together into one the children of God
20 who are scattered abroad.
- 21 ⁵³ So
22 from that day on they planned together to kill Him.
- 23 ⁵⁴ Therefore
24 Jesus no longer continued to walk publicly among the Jews,
25 but
26 went away from there to the country near the wilderness, into a city called Ephraim; and there He
27 stayed with the disciples.
- 28 ⁵⁵ Now
29 the Passover of the Jews was near, and many went up to Jerusalem out of the country before the
30 Passover to purify themselves.
- 31 ⁵⁶ So
32 they were seeking for Jesus, and were saying to one another as they stood in the temple,
33 “What do you think; that He will not come to the feast at all?”
- 34 ⁵⁷ Now
35 the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where He was, he was
36 to report it, so that they might seize Him.
- 37 **12** Jesus, therefore,
38 six days before the Passover, came to Bethany where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from
39 the dead.
- 40 ² So they made Him a supper there, and Martha was serving;
41 but Lazarus was one of those reclining *at the table* with Him.

¹ Note that in the NASB for this passage, the English “therefor” and “so” both represent οὖν (*oun*) in the original text. The only exception is in 11:57, “so that,” which is the common translation of ἵνα (*hina*).

² “But” and “now” are often translations of the same conjunction δέ (*de*). The underlined instances of but are the exceptions, translating the stronger adversative ἀλλὰ (*alla*) and indicating more of a contrast.

Occurrence of οὖν (“therefore”, “so”) in the Gospel of John by Chapter

John uses many more connecting words (“therefore” and “so” in his narrative sections, keeping the pace of the action of the story. He uses few if any of these in recording the longer discourses of Jesus.

Chapter	Count	
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4.	14	Woman at the well
5.	3	Healing at pool
6.	21	Feeding 5,000; crowd following
7.	14	Confrontations – Moses and the Sabbath
8.	16	Confrontations – “Before Abraham was”
9.	14	Man born blind
10.	3	
11.	19	Raising Lazarus
12.	13	Entering Jerusalem
13.	9	Last Supper
14.	0	Discourse before arrest
15.	0	Discourse before arrest
16.	3	Discourse before arrest
17.	0	High priestly prayer
18.	21	Arrest and Trial
19.	22	Crucifixion
20.	11	Resurrection
21.	9	“Do you love Me?”

