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## THE WOODEN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE IN BOGOSLOV: MONUMENT TO AN ANCIENT MIRACLE



American historian and architecture expert William Brumfield discovers a remarkable wooden church connected to the Christianization of Russia.

The village of Bogoslov, on the western outskirts of Rostov-the-Great, is beautiful in itself, but it is renowned for the nearby wooden church of St. John the Divine. This remarkable monument was built in the late 17th century to commemorate a vision of St. John that appeared to St. Avraamy of Rostov centuries earlier. In 1911, the Russian chemist and photographer Sergei Prokudin-Gorsky came to photograph the monument using his special color photographic process.

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