

Word Made Flesh

Prologue: In the Beginning
John 1:1-5
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In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.
- John 1:1-2

I. IN THE BEGINNING...LOGOS, THE WORD, GOD

- Now we know more about Genesis 1:1. The Triune God created the world (Gen. 1:1; Isa. 40:25-26; Col. 1:16).
- The deity of Christ cannot be described in any clearer language than this. The child in the manger is, was, and will forever be...God (Prov. 8:22-23, 27, 30-31; Col. 1:17; Heb. 1:5-12; 1 John 1:1-4).
- Creation was accomplished in Christ. Positively and negatively, all things came into being through him, and nothing came into being except through him (John 1:3; Col. 1:15-17).
- *Logos* is a Greek word that would have resonated with both Jews and Greeks.

II. LIFE AND LIGHT

- Life resides in Jesus. In fact, life is found only in Jesus (John 1:4, 14:6-7; Acts 4:12).
- We see everything in the light of Christ (Ps. 36:9; John 1:4; 2 Cor. 3:12-18; 4:4).

KNOW: God's eternal Word is the creative force behind our existence. In him is both life and light. Jesus is the God/Man. He is God.

DO: Find life in God's Eternal Word.

Suggested Reading:

What is the Incarnation by William Evans (LifePoint Library #394 EVA).

Who is Jesus by R.C. Sproul (LifePoint Library #CQ SPR).

On The Incarnation by Athanasius of Alexandria (LifePoint Library #394 ATH).

Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please Read John 1:1-5

1. What was here "in the beginning"?
2. How does John describe Jesus?
3. Why, do you think, does John start his Gospel so much differently than does Matthew, Mark, and Luke?
4. What is "in" Jesus?
5. Is Jesus God? How do we know?
6. What, overall, do we know about Jesus? How does John 1:1-5 add to our knowledge?
7. Is there an application point to this passage? If so, what might that be?