

If you look at what is happening across our world right now—the rapid acceleration of global events, the confusion in our culture, the shifting geopolitical landscape—people are desperately searching for answers. They are looking for stability, for truth, and for certainty. But as Bible-believing followers of Jesus Christ, we do not look to the news media, to secular philosophy, or to human leaders for our ultimate direction. We look to the unchanging, authoritative, and living Word of Almighty God!

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, ‘This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.’” And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.” (John 1:1-18)

Today, we are looking at a passage that contains the most profound truth in the entire universe, expressed in terms of beautiful, crystal clarity. It is a truth so simple that a young child can understand it, yet so infinitely deep that the greatest minds in human history cannot fully fathom it: The eternal, infinite God became a man in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Look at what the Apostle John writes in the very first verses of his Gospel:

“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)

When John writes *“In the beginning,”* he uses the Greek word *archē*. This word speaks of the ultimate origin, the source, and the supreme authority. John is deliberately echoing Genesis chapter 1, verse 1: *“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”*

Here is reality: When time-space, (i.e., the physical universe) was spoken into existence, Jesus Christ was not coming into being—He was already there! Jesus did not have a beginning; He is the Creator of time itself. Because time began with the creation of the universe, whatever existed before creation is eternal. Jesus Christ is not a created being. He was co-existent and co-eternal with God the Father from all eternity past!

This foundational truth—the absolute deity of Jesus Christ—is a nonnegotiable tenet of the Gospel and our faith. Throughout the Bible, the evidence for His deity flows like a mighty, undeniable river.

The Undeniable Biblical Proofs of Christ's Deity

When you study the Scriptures as a whole, God leaves us with zero ambiguity regarding who Jesus is. Consider the overwhelming witness of the Word of God:

1. Direct Statements of Scripture

- The Gospel of John: John explicitly declares that "the Word was God." Jesus repeatedly takes upon Himself the divine, sacred covenant name of God—"I AM" (John 8:58). In John chapter 10, verse 30, He proclaims, "I and My Father are one." And when Thomas falls at His feet in John chapter 20, verse 28, declaring, "My Lord and my God!", Jesus accepts that worship and praises him for his faith!
- The Epistles: Paul writes in the Epistle to the Colossians, chapter 2, verse 9: "For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily." To the Philippians, Paul testifies that Jesus existed in the very form of God, possessing absolute equality with the Father (Philippians 2:6). In the Epistle to Titus, chapter 2, verse 13, He is called "our great God and Savior Jesus Christ," and in the Epistle to the Hebrews, chapter 1, verse 8, God the Father Himself addresses the Son, saying: "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever."

2. Divine Titles Reserved for God Alone

Jeremiah prophesied that the Messiah would be called "THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS" (Jeremiah 23:6), using the sacred Name YHWH. When John saw the glory of Jesus, he noted in John chapter 12, verse 41, that Isaiah saw Christ's divine glory back in Isaiah chapter 6 when he saw the Lord high and lifted up on His throne.

3. The Incommunicable Attributes of God

Jesus possesses qualities that belong exclusively to Almighty God. He is eternal (Micah 5:2), omnipresent (Matthew 28:20), omniscient (John 21:17), omnipotent (Philippians 3:21), immutable and unchanging (Hebrews 13:8), and sovereign over all creation (Matthew 28:18).

4. Works That Only God Can Accomplish

Who created the cosmos? Jesus did (John 1:3, Colossians 1:16). Who sustains every atom in the universe right now? Jesus does (Colossians 1:17, Hebrews 1:3). Who has the power to forgive sin, raise the dead, and speak words that will outlast the heavens and the earth? None other than the Lord Jesus Christ!

5. Receiving Worship and Prayer

Scripture makes it abundantly clear that worship belongs to God alone (Matthew 4:10). Angels refuse worship (Revelation 22:8-9), and holy men refuse worship (Acts 10:25-26). Yet Jesus willingly

received worship throughout His earthly ministry (Matthew 14:33, John 9:38). Furthermore, the early believers directed their prayers straight to Him (Acts 7:59-60).

The Ultimate Proof: The Resurrection

Now, anyone can walk around and make claims to be divine. History is littered with false messiahs and self-proclaimed gurus. So how do we know beyond a shadow of a doubt that Jesus Christ is who He claimed to be?

It comes down to one historical, undisputed, world-changing event: The Resurrection.

Jesus died on the cross at Calvary, shedding His precious blood as a full, substitutionary sacrifice for our sins. He was laid in a tomb, guarded by Roman soldiers, and sealed with a heavy stone. But on the third day, the tomb was emptied! Jesus rose physically from the dead, defeating sin, death, and the grave forever!

The Resurrection is God the Father's divine stamp of approval, establishing forever that Jesus Christ is exactly who He claimed to be: Savior, Lord, King of kings, and God!

John wrote his entire Gospel with one clear, burning purpose. He tells us in the Gospel of John, chapter 20, verse 31:

“...but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.” (John 20:31)

Now, let us examine closely how the Holy Spirit inspired the apostle John to introduce the Lord Jesus to us:

*“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)

When John wrote these words toward the end of the first century from the city of Ephesus, the early Church was facing a massive strategic challenge. The Gospel had started in Jerusalem among the Jewish people. Jesus was born a Jew under the Law, lived in the Holy Land, and spoke within a Jewish cultural context. Naturally, the earliest believers communicated the Gospel using Hebrew categories of thought, rooted in the Tanakh—the Old Testament Scriptures.

However, within just a few decades, the Gospel exploded across the Roman Empire. By the time John was writing, hundreds of thousands of Gentiles—specifically Greeks—were coming into the Church. These Greeks did not know the Hebrew language, nor were they waiting for the Jewish Messiah. To them, concepts like the “Son of David” or the “Anointed One” were completely foreign.

The great question before the early Church was this: How do you communicate the timeless, uncompromising truth of God to a culture that does not understand your language or your concepts?

God did not call the Church to isolate itself, nor did He call it to compromise the message to make it culturally agreeable. Instead, the Holy Spirit gave John a brilliant, divinely inspired bridge—a concept

that resonated powerfully with both the Hebrew mind and the Greek mind. That concept was the Logos—the Word.

1. The Hebrew Background: The Active, Dynamic Word

To the Hebrew mind, a word was never just a hollow sound or empty air. In the Middle East, even to this day, words carry immense weight. To the ancient Israelites, a spoken word was dynamic, alive, and packed with divine authority.

When God speaks in the Old Testament, things happen! Look at the Creation account:

“And God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light.” (Genesis 1:3)

God did not grab physical tools to build the universe; He spoke it into existence. Psalm 33 verse 6 tells us:

“By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, And all the host of them by the breath of His mouth.” (Psalm 33:6)

The Old Testament consistently reveals the Word of God as an active, powerful force that accomplishes His sovereign will:

“He sent His word and healed them, And delivered them from their destructions.” (Psalm 107:20)

“So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.” (Isaiah 55:11)

In the centuries leading up to the birth of Jesus, as Hebrew became less common among everyday Jews, the Scriptures were translated into Aramaic paraphrases known as the Targums. Out of a profound reverence for the transcendence of God, whenever the original Hebrew text spoke of God acting directly in human history, the Targum writers would often say “the Word of the LORD” did it. When Moses led Israel out of Egypt, the Targums said he brought them to meet “the Word of God.”

So to any Jewish reader picking up John’s Gospel, the “Word” was instantly recognized as the creative, power-filled presence of God Himself!

2. The Greek Background: The Divine Order and Reason

Now, what about the Greeks?

Centuries before Christ, around 560 B.C., a philosopher named Heraclitus lived right there in Ephesus. He looked at the universe and noticed that everything in nature was constantly changing, like a rushing river. But he asked a critical question: If everything is constantly changing, why isn’t the universe complete and total chaos? What keeps the planets in orbit? What maintains order in the cosmos?

His conclusion was that behind all creation there is an invisible, guiding principle of divine logic, order, and reason. He called this principle the Logos.

Later, in Alexandria, a Jewish scholar named Philo attempted to bridge Jewish theology and Greek philosophy. He described the Logos as the divine instrument through which God created the world, the pilot steering the universe, and the bridge between a Holy God and mortal man.

So when the Greeks read John 1 verse 1, their eyes lit up! John was saying to them: "For centuries, your greatest thinkers have talked about the Logos—the divine Reason and Order that holds the universe together. I am writing to tell you that the Logos is not an abstract principle or a cold philosophy. The Logos is a Person! And His name is Jesus Christ!"

3. The Unchanging Character of God

Look at what John establishes about Jesus right from the start.

First, Jesus is Eternal.

John writes, "In the beginning was the Word." John deliberately echoes Genesis 1 verse 1. Before time existed, before the universe was brought into being, the Word was already existing. Jesus is not a created being. He was not brought into existence at Bethlehem; Bethlehem was simply the moment the eternal Son of God took on human flesh.

This means that God has always been like Jesus. You see, some people mistakenly fall into the trap of thinking that God in the Old Testament was angry, harsh, and legalistic, but then Jesus came along in the New Testament and somehow convinced God to be loving and merciful.

That is false! Malachi 3 verse 6 says, "For I am the LORD, I do not change." God has eternally been loving, holy, merciful, and just. Jesus did not change the Father's heart toward humanity; Jesus came as the perfect manifestation of the Father's eternal love!

Second, Jesus was "with God."

In the original Greek text, the phrase translated "with God" (*pros ton theon*) implies an intimate, face-to-face relationship of total fellowship. There has never been a moment in eternity past where the Son was not in perfect, unbroken communion with the Father. Because Jesus is uniquely intimate with the Father, He alone can fully reveal God's heart, God's love, and God's will to us.

Third, "the Word was God."

John leaves no room for confusion regarding the deity of Jesus Christ. He does not say Jesus was merely a good teacher, a great moral philosopher, or a holy prophet. He declares unambiguously that the Word possesses the very nature, essence, and character of God Himself.

Practical Application: Walking in the Truth

What does this mean for you and me as we live out our faith today?

1. Rest in the Authority of God's Word: Since, Jesus is the eternal Logos, then the Scriptures that testify of Him are absolute truth. In a world full of shifting opinions, moral confusion, and human ideologies, you can anchor your life upon the infallible Word of God. When God speaks, His Word carries the dynamic power to perform what He promises in your life.
2. Look to Jesus to Know God: Do you want to know what God is like? Look at Jesus! Look at His compassion for the hurting, His absolute holiness, His hatred of sin, and His willingness to lay down His life for mankind. Jesus said in the Gospel of John, chapter 14 verse 9, "He who has seen Me has seen the Father."

A Challenge for Believers

My challenge to every believer reading this today is simple: Are you living as a faithful ambassador of the Logos?

John understood his culture. He didn't compromise the Gospel, but he communicated it effectively so that the people around him could understand it. We are living in prophetic times. Darkness is covering the earth, and people around you—your neighbors, your co-workers, your family members—are lost, confused, and searching for hope.

Are you taking the time to share the truth of Jesus Christ with them in a way that speaks to their hearts? Don't hide your light under a basket. Know the Word, live the Word, and confidently share the Word with a dying world!

An Invitation to Receive Life

Finally, if you are reading this and you do not know Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior, I want to speak directly to your heart.

You were not created by accident. You were created by God, and the very Logos—the One who spoke the stars into existence—knows you by name. Scripture tells us that all of us have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Our sin separates us from a holy God, and no amount of good works, religion, or human effort can bridge that gap.

That is why the Word became flesh. Jesus Christ came to this earth, lived a sinless life, and went to the cross at Calvary where He took the penalty for your sins and my sins upon Himself. He died, He was buried, and on the third day, He rose again from the dead, defeating sin and death once and for all!

You do not have to clean up your life before you come to Him. Salvation is not about human effort or religious ritual; it is a free gift of God's grace received through faith.

If you want to be forgiven of your sins, if you want peace with God, and if you want the assurance of eternal life, you can surrender your heart to Jesus right now.

Pray this from your heart:

"Lord Jesus, I acknowledge that I am a sinner in need of Your grace. I believe that You are the eternal Son of God, that You died on the cross for my sins, and that You rose again from the dead. Today, I repent of my sin, and I open the door of my heart to You. I ask You to forgive me, cleanse me, and be my Lord and Savior. Fill me with Your Holy Spirit and help me to follow You all the days of my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen."

If you made that decision today, welcome into the family of God! Get into a solid, Bible-teaching study group, start reading your Bible every day, and walk in the victory and peace that only Jesus Christ can give.

Maranatha—our Lord is coming soon! God bless you.