

Divin' In – Wednesday Night Bible Study

THE CHURCH OF THE SPRINGS – 1/24/24

“If you really want to become wise, you must begin by having respect for the Lord. To know the Holy One is to gain understanding.”

– from Proverbs 9:10

Do you want to be happy?



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NOTES

The wisdom described here is a real person.

The Lord Jesus Christ perfectly fits all the attributes mentioned here. Notice similarities to Genesis 1.

The Voice Translation uses the word “Voice” for the Greek word “logos.” A **voice** manifests the act of speaking, it is *distinct* and *personal*, and it reflects a dynamic that is a robust activity of a Living God. [from intro to John 1:1]

With all the insights that Jesus gave, folks STILL could not figure out who He was!

Thomas asked, “How can we know the way?”

Our culture no longer carries lamps.

The Word made flesh – Jesus Himself is our light and inspiration.

Christ IS that Voice of God – HIS Wisdom.

Do you WANT to be happy? Here is the answer.

Proverbs 8:22-23 VOICE+

“The Eternal God **created** Me; it happened when His work was beginning, one of His first acts long ago. Before time [itself] He established Me, before the earth saw its first sunrise.”

Proverbs 8:27,30-31 VOICE

“When He created the heavens, I was there. When He drew a circle in the deep, dividing the oceans and the sky, I was there.... All this time I was close beside Him, a master **craftsman**. Every day I was His delightful companion, celebrating every minute in His presence; elated by the world He was making and all its fine creatures; I was especially pleased with **humanity**.”

John 1:1-10 VOICE

“Before time itself was measured, the Voice was speaking. The Voice was and **is** God. This celestial Word remained ever present with the Creator; His speech shaped the entire cosmos. Immersed in the practice of creating, all things that exist were birthed in Him. His **breath** filled all things with a living, breathing **light**—a **light** that thrives in the depths of darkness, and blazes through murky bottoms. It cannot and **will not** be quenched.

A man named John, who was sent by **God**, was the first to clearly articulate the Source of this Light. This baptizer put in plain words the elusive mystery of the Divine Light so all might believe through him. Some wondered whether HE might be the Light, but John was **not** the Light. He merely *pointed* to the Light. The **true Light**, who shines upon the heart of everyone, was coming into the cosmos.

Jesus as the Light does not call out from a distant place but draws near by *coming into the world*. He **entered** our world, a world He *made*; yet the world did not recognize Him.”

John 14:6a ESV

“Jesus said to [Thomas], “I am the **Way**, and the **Truth**, and the **Life**....”

Psalms 119:105 The Living Bible

“Your words are a **flashlight** to light the path ahead of me and keep me from stumbling.”

John 14:12 ESV

“Again Jesus spoke to them [the scribes and the Pharisees, after sending the woman on her way who had been caught in adultery], saying, “**I** am the **Light** of the world. Whoever follows Me will not walk in darkness, but will have the Light of **Life**.”

1 Corinthians 1:24 ESV+

“But to those people God has called—both Jews and Gentiles—**Christ** is the Power of God and the **Wisdom** of God.”

Proverbs 8:34 VOICE

“The one who listens to **Me**, who carefully seeks **Me** in everyday things and delays action until My Way is apparent, that one will find true happiness.”



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