



"Jesus- The Word of God"

Good morning to you.

Let's review. We have looked at Jesus who holds everything in the universe together (see [Colossians 1:15-20](#) Post 2).

And we have looked at Jesus who is the greatest revelation of the invisible God (see [Hebrews 1:1-3](#) Post 3).

We have also seen Jesus (see [Book of Hebrews](#) Post 4) as the one who is superior above everything and everyone in creation, and who has given us a New Covenant superior to all other covenants.

This week let's continue our discovery of the Jesus-Who-Is in [John 1:1-18](#) NIV (parts).

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

God's Word speaks a revelation of God's thoughts, intentions, plans, will, and purposes. God's Word is active and powerful:

... long ago by God's word the heavens came into being and the earth was formed out of water and by water. [2 Peter 3:5](#) (also [Psalm 33:6](#))

In John God's Word becomes personalized in Jesus of Nazareth. In Jesus God's very being comes to abide in Jesus as God's one-of-a-kind Son. Jesus is totally unified with the Father. He voluntarily -- as a man -- fulfills God's purpose for his life.

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. [John 1:9](#)

¹⁹ This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. ²⁰ Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. ²¹ But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God. [John 3:19-21](#)

God dwells in light. Jesus comes as a manifestation of that light -- a spiritual and moral Light that confronts and battles and defeats every power of Darkness.

This is the most important act of God since creation and the Garden. Surely everyone will receive the Word with joy and devotion. Right? Read on.

¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God -- ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. [John 1:10-13](#)

So a great division started and grows because of the coming of the Word. Many people will have nothing to do with Jesus – even rejecting him – even persecuting his People. They continue in Darkness – embrace Darkness – choose deeper Darkness.

But some of us have recognized the Jesus-Who-Is as the Word of God – as the Light of the world. We have run to him. We have embraced him. We have been transformed by him into eternal children of God.

I ask you:

- Is this the Jesus to whom you have given your life?
- Is this the Jesus you love and serve?
- Is this the Jesus you preach to others?

Then hold tight. Press in. Never look back. Finish what you've begun. By the power of the blood of Christ and your testimony, you will overcome the world, your flesh, and the devil.

This is for now. This is forever.

Next Week: More about the Jesus-Who-Is in John 1.

Blessings to you in Christ-

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Douglas". The script is cursive and fluid.

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