

PRAYER MEETING: **John 1:1-5**

Righteousness By Faith

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¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of men. ⁵ And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not

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The Word's Relationship with God

Verses 1, 2



Verse 1

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word
was with God, and the Word was God.



Verse 1

In the beginning

When was the beginning?

Verse 1

In the beginning

The Beginning

Eternity



Verse 1

In the beginning was **the Word**,

Who is the Word?



John 1:14

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.



Verse 1

In the beginning was the Word *[Jesus]*, and
the Word *[Jesus]* was with God.

Who is God?



Verse 1

In the beginning was the Word *[Jesus]*, and
the Word *[Jesus]* was with God *[Father]*, and
the Word was God.

What does 'the Word was God' means?



Verse 1

In the beginning was the Word *[Jesus]*, and
the Word *[Jesus]* was with God *[Father]*, and
the Word was God *[Deity]*.

The Word is Divine — Deity.



Verse 1 Paraphrased

In the beginning was Jesus—God's very thoughts made audible and visible—and Jesus was with God, and Jesus was God.



Verse 2

He was in the beginning with God.



Verse 2 Paraphrased

He was with God before anything else existed.



The Word's Relationship to the Universe

Verse 3

Verse 3

Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

Why double statements?



Verse 3

Through him all things were made *[positivity]*;
without him *[negativity]* nothing was made that
has been made.



Colossians 1:15-19



He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the

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he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

Verse 3 Paraphrased

Through Jesus everything was created,
without Jesus nothing was created that has
been created.



The Word's Relationship to People

Verses 4, 5



Verse 4

In him was **life**, and **that life** was the light of men.

What is life?



Verse 4

In him was life, and that life was **the light of men.**

What is the light of men?



Verse 4 Paraphrased

In Jesus was life—original, unborrowed,
underived—and his life enlightens the mind
about God: about his character, methods,
and principles.



Verse 5

And **the light** shines in **the darkness**, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

What is light? darkness?



Verse 5

And the light shines in the darkness, and **the darkness did not comprehend it.**

Why couldn't darkness understand the light?



Verse 5 Paraphrased

The light of Jesus' life shines into the darkened minds of human beings—darkened by Satan's lies about God—but their darkened minds have not understood the light.



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