



The Word Was God

John 1:1-4

For all of October we're going to take a close look at Jesus Christ to determine who He _____, why He _____, and why it should _____ to us. One thing is _____: Jesus of Nazareth is unique! Whether as a spiritual teacher, a prophet, a worker of miracles, or a friend, there has _____ been a person to equal Jesus Christ. No one has done so much to _____ humanity out of sin and into a righteous life as He taught people to _____. No one has _____ love, compassion, and forgiveness like He did. Jesus helped us to _____ what God is like. Today we're going to look at the _____ of Jesus Christ. The Bible clearly _____ Jesus was Divine. Though some say he was merely a _____ and others suggest He was nothing more than a _____ man, the Bible does not hesitate to say that He has always been Divine in _____. If He is Divine, then He is worthy of our _____, of our _____, and of our _____. If Jesus is _____, then we should love and serve Him all the days of our lives.

The text says clearly, "In the beginning was the _____." The "beginning" was that period before there was _____ as we know it, before there ever was a universe or life on earth. To say the Word was in the beginning means that He was not _____. God created men, but the Word has _____ existed; He was in the beginning. The passage says, "and the Word was _____ God." The word "with" _____ that the Word accompanied God and had a relationship with the Father. Then the text says, "and the Word _____ God." Here we have the Word _____ as Divine, yet He was with God. What does this _____?

Genesis 1:1 gives a little _____ information. "In the beginning God _____ the heavens and the earth." And in verse 26 God said, "Let us make man in our _____, after our likeness." Here we have "let us make man." Are there _____? No, but there are _____ in the Godhead: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. We only see a _____ of this in the Old Testament, but we'll see each person _____ in the New Testament.

John 1:3 says about the Word, that is _____, that "He was in the beginning with God. All things were _____ through him, and without him was not anything made that was made." God the Father was not _____ in creation. The Lord Jesus was with Him and was the _____ by which everything was made. Nothing was made _____ Jesus Christ.



Read Colossians 1:15-17. Jesus Christ is the _____ behind our creation; and everything has come into being _____ Him and for Him. Some people hear the phrase, “_____ of all creation” in Colossians 1: 15 and they wrongly _____ that Jesus was the first created being who then created everything else. But, they really misunderstand what the _____ is saying. The word “firstborn” is a title, a description of His _____ over all creation. The role of “firstborn” doesn’t necessarily have anything to do with priority in _____ but in his place of preeminence. Colossians 1:18 says that, “He is the _____ of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in _____ he might be preeminent,” that is have _____ place. He is first in everything having to do with this _____. He created it and He sustains it by His power; and He _____ have first place in everything! In spite of His preeminence, Jesus was _____ and _____ to His Father, and His example teaches us how to be humble and obedient as well. Read Philippians 2:5-8.

Jesus in the beginning and throughout time lived in _____ with the Father in Heaven! He lacked for _____. He was unlimited or infinite in His _____ and in His _____. Everything _____ and _____ His. He was in the _____ form of God. He has always been and will always be _____. But the Lord Jesus saw the wickedness of mankind and out of _____ chose to _____ Himself and become nothing, so that He could reach out to a lost and sinful world. The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 8:9, “For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was _____, yet for your sake he became _____, so that you by his poverty might become rich.” He loved you more than His own _____, and He was willing to empty Himself so that you might be _____. He became a _____ with all the physical limitations of humanity. And though he existed in the form of _____, He also took on _____ like a man (John 1:14). For the time that He lived on earth, He lived as _____ God and man. As a man he suffered _____, and as the Son of God he suffered for our _____.

Jesus Christ was _____ of grace and truth. Only a Divine Being could be full of grace and truth; grace to _____ us and truth to _____ us the right way. Read Titus 2:11-14. Only Jesus could offer His body as a _____ so that He might purify us, forgiving our sins, and making us new people.

It’s not _____ to refer to Jesus as God. John the Baptist was preparing the way for Jesus Christ, whom the prophet Isaiah, by inspiration, calls the _____ and our _____ (Isaiah 40:3).



The book of Hebrews directly refers to Jesus as _____. Read Hebrews 1:8-9, and 25-27. To speak of the Son Jesus as _____ and to recognize that He is _____ is in the Scriptures. Who else but a Divine being could _____ the foundation of the world and have _____ end?

Jesus told the Jews "I and the Father are one" (John 10:30). Jesus was _____ God and yet _____ God. Because of this, we can _____ what God is like. Jesus _____ the Father (John 1:18). Because Jesus lived on earth we can understand _____ what God is like. Jesus is God in the _____. Read John 14:7-9. Jesus shows us the _____, the _____, and the _____ of Almighty God. The Bible makes it _____ Jesus has always existed and will always exist (John 8:56-58; Hebrews 13:8). Jesus has always indeed _____. (Revelation 1:17-18). The death of the cross could not _____ him. He conquered _____ to _____ forever and forever. Jesus has all the _____ of a Divine Being.

Read John 20:24-29. When Jesus arose from the dead, the _____ were fearful and Thomas doubted. Jesus didn't rebuke or stop Thomas from _____ to Him, "My Lord and my God." Paul stopped the people of Lystra from _____ him (Acts 14:15). But Jesus didn't stop Thomas, because He _____ is our Lord and God. The Bible tells how John fell down to worship at the _____ of an angel, but the angel told John, "Do not do that" (Revelation 22:8-9). Jesus _____ speak like this angel spoke; He _____ worship from Thomas as Lord and God.

Read Colossians 2:9-10. Have you made Jesus Christ the Lord of your _____? Because Jesus emptied himself and took on the form of a _____ and died upon the cruel cross of Calvary, God honored Him (Philippians 2:9-11). After His resurrection Jesus said, "All _____ has been given to Me in heaven and on earth" (Matthew 28:18). It's incorrect to say, as some do, that Jesus will have authority when He _____. Jesus already has _____ authority. He is _____ King of kings and Lord of lords (Revelation 17:14). He is already the One to whom each of us must give an _____ (2 Corinthians 5:10).

To become a Christian, _____ in Jesus Christ as Lord. Be willing to _____ yourself, to take up your cross daily and follow Him. The gospel calls us to _____ and _____ the Lord with all our heart and soul and mind and strength. And if you believe Jesus is Lord, you're going to _____ away from sin and you are going to _____ for righteousness. This is _____. And with faith and repentance, we should _____ Christ and be _____ in water for the forgiveness of our sins as Acts 2:38 teaches.

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