

Gospel of John
(Prologue – Part 1)

→The pre-existent Word comes into the world as Jesus Christ, the true Light, to make God the Father known to humans who, by believing in Christ, become children of God.

Overview of the Prologue

- I. The Word—in Relation to God and Creation (1:1-5)
- II. John the Baptist's Testimony About the Light (1:6-8)
- III. The Incarnation of the Word (1:9-14)
- IV. John the Baptist's Testimony About the Word (1:15)
- V. The Final Revelation Brought by Jesus Christ (1:16-18)

I. The Word—in Relation to God and Creation (1:1-5)

-Jesus is eternal (v. 1a; John 1:15; 17:5, 24; Col. 1:17; Heb. 1:1, 2).

-Jesus is a Person distinct from the Father (vs. 1b, 2; John 17:5; 1 John 1:2).

-Jesus is God (v. 1c; see also 1 Tim. 1:17; 6:16).

-Jesus created all things (v. 3; Gen. 1:1, 2:7 with 1:26; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:2).

-Jesus is the source of all life and light (vs. 4, 5).

→Jesus is God and must be worshiped as such.