

Word of God Speak! - Gospel of John Series 1b

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Message...

John 1:1-5

- 1 In the beginning the Word already existed.

 The Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- 2 He existed in the beginning with God.
- 3 God created everything through Him, and nothing was created except through Him.
- 4 The Word gave life to everything that was created, and His life brought light to everyone.
- 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.

What do these verses tell us about Jesus?

1 John 5:11-12

11 And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God's Son does not have life.

How does Jesus' light help me?

You light a lamp for me. The Lord, my God, lights up my darkness. Psa. 18:28

John 12:46

I have come as a light to shine in this dark world, so that all who put their trust in Me will no longer remain in the dark.

John 12:35b-36

35b "...Walk in the light while you can, so the darkness will not overtake you. Those who walk in the darkness cannot see where they are going. 36 Put your trust in the light while there is still time; then you will become children of the light."

Who are we to trust according to verse 36?

Psalm 36:9

For with You is the fountain of life;

In Your light we see light.

Some choose to reject Jesus' Light...

John 1:5

The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it.

John 3:19

And the judgment is based on this fact: God's light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil.

Why would anyone choose to walk or live in darkness?

"...but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. John 3:19b

Why?

John 3:20

All who do evil hate the light and refuse to go near it for fear their sins will be exposed.

Jesus didn't come to condemn people of their sins but deliver them from their sin!

Romans 5:8-10

8 But God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.

9 And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, He will certainly save us from God's condemnation.

10 For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of His Son while we were still His enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of His Son.

Why then would anyone walk in darkness? satan blinds them to the Truth!

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

3 If the Good News we preach is hidden behind a veil, it is hidden only from people who are perishing.

4 satan, who is the god of this world, has blinded the minds of those who don't believe. They are unable to see the glorious light of the Good News. They don't understand this message about the glory of Christ, who is the exact likeness of God.

*See Matt. 8:12b

Life Application:

1 John 5:11-12

11 And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son.

12 Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God's Son does not have life.

Do you have the Son? Have you chosen to have a personal relationship with Jesus?

1 John 5:7-9

7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

How does someone have the "Son"? *See Romans 3:10, 23; Rom. 5:12; Rom. 6:23; Rom. 10:9-13. *See also, John 8:12, 12:46

If you have chosen a relationship with Jesus the Bible says "live as people of Light"...

Ephesians 5:8-10, 15-17

8 For once you were full of darkness, but now you have light from the Lord. So live as people of light!

9 For this light within you produces only what is good and right and true. 10 Carefully determine what pleases the Lord.

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15 So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise.

16 Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days.

17 Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.

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How Can I Be Saved?

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Romans 3:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

But God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. Romans 5:8

If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved. ...13 For "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." Romans 10:9-10;13

Admit you are a sinner and in need of salvation. Believe that Jesus came, died, and resurrected. Call out to Jesus to forgive you and save you! If you would like more information or have questions, we would love to talk with you! Contact us through our website or Facebook!

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