

The Word Became Flesh
The Incarnation of Jesus Christ
#1 – John 20:30-31 and John 1:1-18

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The Purpose of the Gospel of John - John 20:30-31

Signs are recorded:

So that: _____

Jesus is the

1. _____

2. _____

And that: _____

Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

The Word Introduced - John 1:1-18

1. What was the significance of the “Word”?

To the Greeks - from philosophy, “the mind of God controlling this world and all men”

To the Jews - from Scripture, the spoken expression of God accomplishing His purposes.

“Thus, the Jew would be somewhat prepared for the thought that the Word of God could somehow be seen and touched as well as heard and that the ‘Word’ might somehow find expression in a life. It would not be entirely strange for a Jew to learn, as the author of Hebrews puts it, that ‘In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son’ (Heb. 1:1-2)” - (Boice)

2. Who was the Word?

The Word was _____ - v. 14

The Word was _____ - v. 1, 2

The Word was _____ - v. 1

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The Word was _____ - v. 3

The Word was _____ - v. 4

3. What did the incarnate Word do?

The incarnate Word _____ - v. 14

The incarnate Word _____ - v. 5

The incarnate Word _____ - v. 14, 16-17

The incarnate Word _____ - v. 18

4. What did John the Baptist do?

John the Baptist _____ the Word made flesh as a witness of the light - v. 6-8

John the Baptist _____ the eternal Word in humility - v. 15

5. What was the response to the incarnate Word?

The world _____ the incarnate Word? - v. 5, 10

The Jews _____ the incarnate Word? - v. 11

The elect of God _____ the incarnate Word as enabled by the will of God?

Implications

1. The Gospel of John is for believers - These have been written that you may be believing (present tense). The Gospel of John is written to strengthen our faith in our loving and gracious Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. The Gospel of John is for unbelievers - “But as many as received Him...become children of God” (John 1:12); “whoever believes will in Him have eternal life” (John 3:15); “whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life” (John 3:16); “He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.” (John 3:36)