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Would you want only One witness in an accident or Trial?



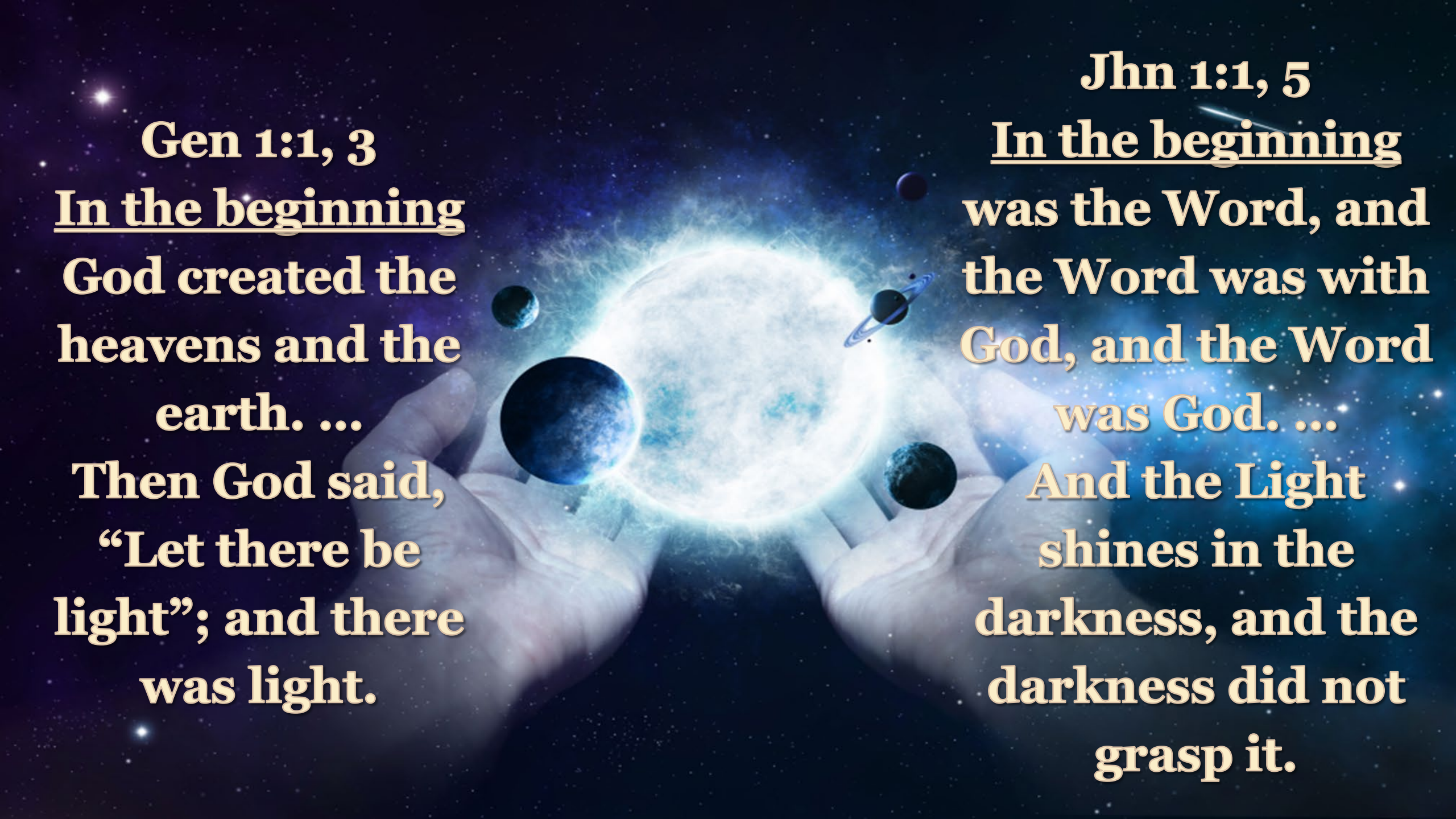
Same Jesus, Same Gospel

4K View

John is unique

# Some say Jesus never claimed to be God?

- ✚ Matthew and Luke give Jesus' genealogy
- ✚ Mark is briefer, emphasizes deeds over words
- ✚ John says Jesus IS God! - Vs 1 - Upfront!
  - In the beginning was the Word – 1:1
  - The Word was God – 1:1
  - This is the Son of God – 1:34



**Gen 1:1, 3**  
**In the beginning**  
**God created the**  
**heavens and the**  
**earth. ...**  
**Then God said,**  
**“Let there be**  
**light”; and there**  
**was light.**

**Jhn 1:1, 5**  
**In the beginning**  
**was the Word, and**  
**the Word was with**  
**God, and the Word**  
**was God. ...**  
**And the Light**  
**shines in the**  
**darkness, and the**  
**darkness did not**  
**grasp it.**



**1 Jhn 1:1**

**What was from the beginning, what we have heard,  
what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked  
at and touched with our hands concerning  
the Word of Life --**

# What IF God were one of us?

- † Exo 33:20 – He further said, “You cannot see My face, for mankind shall not see Me and live!
- † Hab 1:13 – [Your] eyes are too pure to look at evil, and You cannot look at him [favorably].
- † 1 Ki 8:27 – “But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain You”



# 7 Witnesses

1. John the Baptist John 1:34  
"This is the Chosen One of God"
2. Nathaniel John 1:49  
"You are the Son of God"
3. Peter John 6:69  
"You are the Holy One of God"
4. Martha John 11:27  
"You are the Christ, the Son of God"
5. Thomas John 20:28  
"My Lord and my God"
6. John John 20:31  
"Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God"
7. Jesus John 10:36  
"I am the Son of God"

# Beyond question, a great mystery

- ✚ Jhn 4:24 – “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”
- ✚ 1Ti 3:16 – Beyond question, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was revealed in the flesh . . .

# Beyond question, a great mystery

✚ Heb 2:6 – “WHAT IS MAN, THAT YOU THINK OF HIM? OR A SON OF MAN, THAT YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT HIM?”

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# Seven Signs

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- Water into Wine at Cana 2:1-11
- Healing official's son 2:12; 4:46b-54
- Healing of a crippled man 5:2-9
- Feeding 5,000 people 6:1-15
- Walking on Water 6:15-25
- Sight to the Blind 9:1-8
- Raising Lazarus from the dead 11:1-45

# 5 “types” or pictures of Christ – 1:1-18

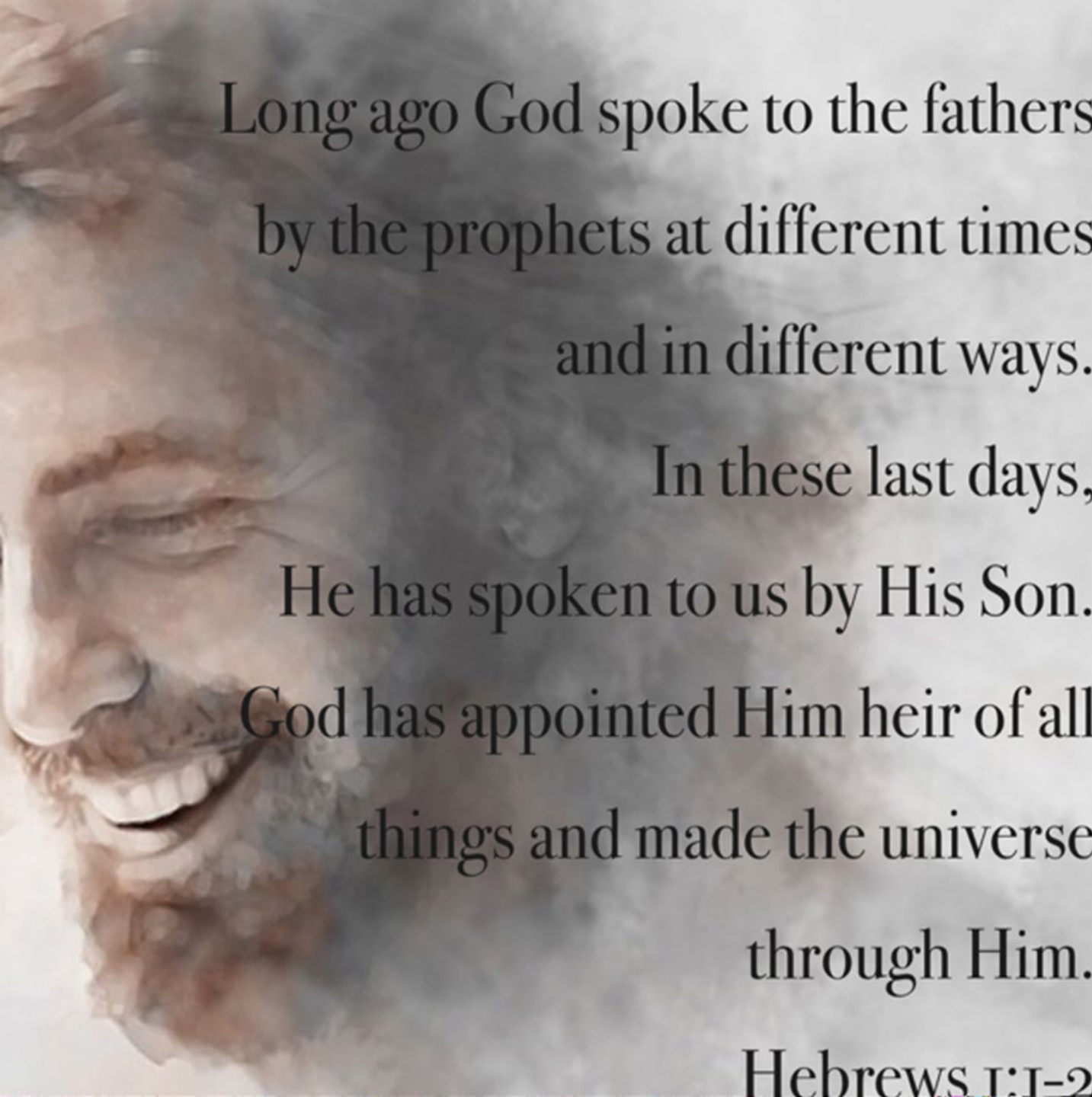
1. Creator, Gen 1:1, “In the beginning”
2. Triune nature, Deity of Christ, the Son
3. The Word
4. The Light of mankind
5. Immanuel, God with us, Tabernacled

## Rom 1:19-21

That which is know about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible [attributes, that is,] His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, being understood by what has been made, so that they are without excuse. For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks.

## Psalms 19:1-3

The heavens declare the glory of God;  
And the firmament sheweth His handywork.  
Day unto day uttereth speech,  
And night unto night sheweth knowledge.  
There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard.



Long ago God spoke to the fathers  
by the prophets at different times  
and in different ways.

In these last days,  
He has spoken to us by His Son.  
God has appointed Him heir of all  
things and made the universe  
through Him.

Hebrews 1:1-2

**Can you Hear me  
now?**

**Let me be clear**

**For God SO loved the  
world!**

**He loved them to the  
end.**

# Let there be light!

☒ Jn 1:9, 3:19, 8:12, 9:5, 11:9, 12:36, 46

☒ Nic at Night! Jesus came at night, Rose in am

☒ Even a blind man saw Jesus for who He is! Jn 9

☒ Satan is trying to blind men to Jesus! 2 Cor 4





7 "I AM..."

THE BREAD OF LIFE	6:35
THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD	8:12
THE GATE FOR THE SHEEP	10:7
THE GOOD SHEPHERD	10:11
THE RESURRECTION	11:25
THE WAY, TRUTH & LIFE	14:6
THE TRUE VINE	15:1



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**GOD'S  
COVENANT  
NAME**


(EXODUS 3:14,  
ISAIAH 43:10,  
46:9)

7 "I AM..."

4:26      5:20  
8:24      8:28  
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# Disciples whom Jesus loves

- ✚ We say His Glory! Grace! Truth! – 1:14-17
- ✚ Rejected?! – 1:10-11
- ✚ Who is in the arms of the Father!
- ✚ Lazarus, John, Disciples who Jesus loves!



JESUS  
EMPTIED HIMSELF  
TAKING THE FORM OF A  
SERVANT  
**Phil 2:6**  
PHILIPPIANS 2:5-7

**Did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but emptied Himself [by] taking the form of a bond-servant [and] being born in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death:  
death on a cross**

Jesus:  
"Friend of Sinners"





Luke 22:19

And when He had  
taken [some] bread  
[and] given thanks,  
He broke it and gave  
it to them, saying,  
“This is My body,  
which is being given  
for you; do this in  
remembrance of  
Me.”



1 Cor 11:25

In the same way [He]  
also [took] the cup  
after supper, saying,  
“This cup is the new  
covenant in My  
blood; do this, as  
often as you drink [it]  
in remembrance of  
Me.”

# The Prologue of John's Gospel

In the beginning was the LOGOS, and the LOGOS was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God.

<sup>3</sup> All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

<sup>4</sup> In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. <sup>5</sup> The Light shines in the darkness and the darkness did not comprehend it.

<sup>6</sup> There came a man sent from God, whose name was John.

<sup>7</sup> He came as a witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him.

<sup>8</sup> He was not the Light, but he came to testify about the Light.

<sup>9</sup> There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man.

<sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know

<sup>11</sup> He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.

<sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them

He gave the right to become **CHILDREN OF GOD**, even those who believe in His name,

<sup>13</sup> who were **BORN OF GOD**,

not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man.

<sup>14</sup> And the LOGOS became flesh, and tabernacled among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

<sup>15</sup> John testified about Him and cried out, saying,

"This was He of whom I said,

'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.'"

of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace.

LAW was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ.

no one has ever seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.

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FOR IT IS THE GOD WHO  
COMMANDED LIGHT TO  
SHINE OUT OF DARKNESS

*who has shone in our hearts*

to give the light of the  
knowledge of the glory of God  
in the face of Jesus Christ

# THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

## 1. PROLOGUE

(ch 1)

"IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD"

- Jesus = God
- God sends Jesus
- Jesus calls disciples

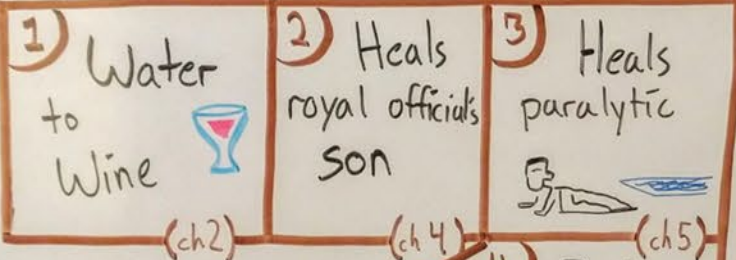
## 4. EPILOGUE

(ch 21)

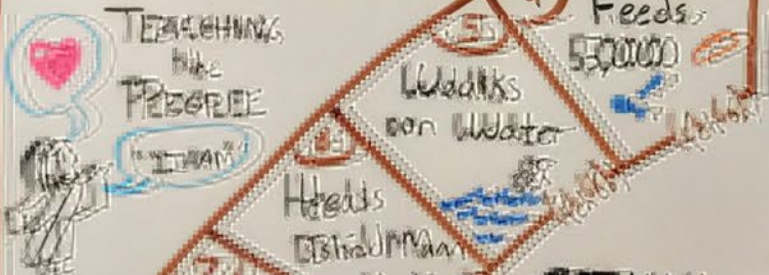
- Jesus visits 7 disciples
- Jesus feeds the disciples
- Jesus tells Peter to "feed" them...

## 2. "BOOK OF SIGNS"

(ch 2-12)



4) Feeds 5000  
(ch 6)



7) Raises LAZARUS from the dead

STILL, the Jews

DON'T BELIEVE

## 3. "BOOK OF GLORY"

(ch 13-20)

JESUS shows his LOVE:

- Comforts disciples
- Promises help
- Prays for them

DIES FOR THEM

JESUS RISES FROM THE DEAD!

FROM THE

DEAD!

STILL, some struggle to BELIEVE

### AUTHOR

• "The disciple Jesus loved" (21:24)

• Traditionally John, son of Zebedee...?

### AIMS

• Guide signs to help readers believe in Jesus (120:30-31)

### NOTES

• "The disciple Jesus loved"



# GOSPEL OF JOHN

**‘But these are written that you may believe  
Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,  
and that by believing you may  
have life in his name.’**

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but these last days he has spoken to us by his

