

Gen 1:1 1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. 3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

John 1:1-5 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not anything made that was made. 4 In him was life,[a] and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

1.	The Word is true and effective (Colossians 1:15-20)
2.	The Word is personal (Hebrews 1:2-3)
3.	The Word is sustaining (Job 38:4-6)
4.	The Word speaks life (1 Cor 8:6)

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1.	Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2.	Sometimes we might believe something on the surface, but we have to "check" on in constantly just to be sure. What are some examples in the bible of someone needing to "check" on the truth of God? How do people "check" on the truth of Jesus today? How often do we "check" on the truth of Jesus? Why?
3.	Jesus's personal fingerprints are all over us from the very beginning. What are some personal reflections that make up the character of Jesus? In what ways do you see Jesus as a personal God in your life?
4.	Jesus sustains everything in creation. It helps refocus us off our own self-reliance and comforts us to know that our Creator holds everything together. Where in your life are you aware of Jesus's sustain power? Spend some time mentioning marvelous things in this world that Jesus sustains.
5.	Jesus brings life to a hole in our soul that only He can fill. What other things do people try to fill that hole in their life with? What are some of the consequences when Jesus is not filling our life?
6.	Jesus brings light into this world, and the darkness has not overcome it. What does John mean when he says the darkness has not overcome it? How can John say this confidently? Where is there darkness in this world today? How can you arise and shine and bring people the light of Jesus Christ?