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**John 1:1-14: “The Word” Puts On Humanity**

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Names for Jesus found in the Gospel of John:

The Lamb of God

The True Vine

The Way, the Truth, and the Life

The Resurrection and the Life

The Good Shepherd

The Gate

The Light of the World

The Bread of Life

The Living Water

The Word

What about the “Word”?

*“By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, their starry host  
by the breath of his mouth.” (Psalm 33:6)*

*“He sent out his word and healed them; he rescued them from the  
grave.” (Psalm 107:20)*

“The Word” symbolizes ...

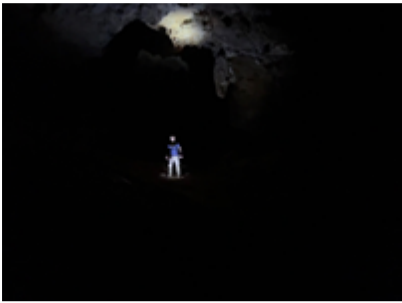
- God’s mighty power of creation,
- a personified instrument to do His Will,
- a revelation of who God is for us to understand.

*(1-2) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.*



*(3) Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made.*

*(4-5) In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*



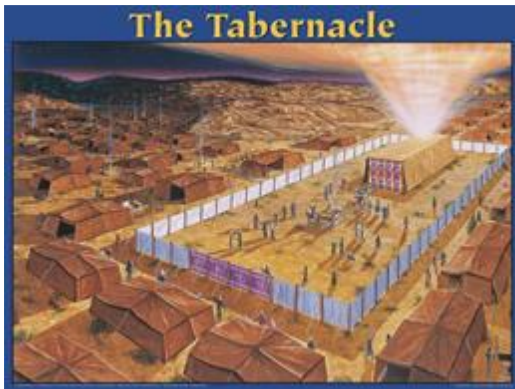
*(6-8) There was a man sent from God whose name was John (the Baptist). He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. He himself was not the light; He came only as a witness to the light.*



*(9-13) The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God.*



*(14) The Word became flesh and made his dwelling (literally “pitched his tent”) among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.” (John 1:1–14)*



Jesus pitched his tent right in the center of civilization at that time.  
Jesus is truth.  
Jesus is God with us.  
Jesus is the lamb of God for our forgiveness.

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*“This was the great sentence for which the Gospel of John was written. It tells us—inexplicable as it may be—that God became man. Nevertheless, because we have heard that verse from childhood, we read it and are often strangely unmoved.”*  
(James Montgomery Boice)



And two things were revealed about his glory – He was full of grace and truth.



The world likes ...

- your truth and my truth.
- that might be true then, but today...
- I'm glad that works for you, but I prefer this truth.



# Questions for Home Groups ...

Jesus becoming man has four implications.

1. The incarnation made it possible for Jesus to die.  
(Matthew 20:17-19)
2. Jesus has been touched with all our infirmities.  
(Hebrews 4:15-16)
3. Jesus provided us an example of how we should live.  
(2 Corinthians 5:14-15)
4. In the incarnation, God sanctified the value of human life in a way that had not been done previously. (1 Peter 1:18-19)

What does “God with us” – Immanuel – mean to you?

How has the Lord been with you in the past?

How would you diagnose the depth of your relationship with the Lord at this time?

What are things that keep you from deep relationship? What are things that help you have closer relationship?