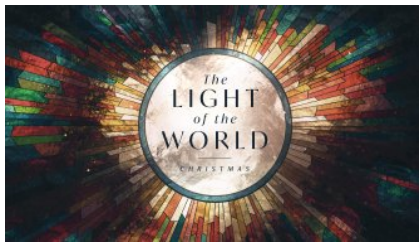


SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia Message...

True Light Fulfilled

With Jeremy Vasic
December 17, 2023



John 1:1-3 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.

We need to view Jesus in the right light.

John 1:4-5 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.

Jesus offers real life to us because He is the logos.

John 1:6-14 God sent a man, John the Baptist, ⁷ to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. ⁸ John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. ⁹ The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

¹⁰ He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. ¹¹ He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. ¹² But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. ¹³ They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

¹⁴ So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unending love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

We need to view ourselves in the right light.

Being "reborn" comes only through Jesus.

Big Idea: Live the real life that Jesus fulfills by letting Him make his home in you.

Allow Jesus to bring light in your darkness.

- **Pray your challenging thoughts and emotions to Him.**
- **Confess the ways you may have offended God, or made yourself into the true light in your life.**
- **Allow Jesus to be the guide of your time and your days.**
- **Witness to the true light.**



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