John 1 - Who is the Word?

Jesus' Names and Titles in John 1

The Word (1-3)

The Light (4-13)

Four essentials for human life:

- 1 Light Jesus is the light of the world (8:12)
- 2 Air Jesus gives us the "breath of life" (3:8, 20:22)
- 3 Water Jesus is the "water of life" (4:10, 13-14, 7:37)
- 4 Food Jesus is the "bread of life" (6:33ff)

Light and Darkness:

Jesus gives light – 1:9, 8:12, 12:35, 46, Luke 1:78-79,

Satan is the "power of darkness" – Luke 22:53

Satan promotes darkness – 2 Cor. 4:3-4

Satan counterfeits light – 1:13-15

The Son of God (15-28, 34, 49)

- -He is eternal (15)
- -He is the fullness of grace (16)
- -He is the balance of grace and truth (17)
- -He is the revelation of God to us (18)

The Lamb of God (29-36)

- -Where is the lamb? Genesis 22:7-8
- -The Sacrificial Lamb Isaiah 53:7
- -The Worthy Lamb Revelation 5:6-13

The Messiah (35-42)

- -What do you seek? What are your motives?
- -Where are you staying? Perhaps a polite way to ask if they could visit Him later. Jesus invited them "come and you will see".

-We have found the Messiah! – Because they came and saw, they proclaimed.

The King of Israel (43-49)

- -Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?
- -Come and see!
- -How do you know me? I saw you.
- -You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel.

The Son of Man (50-51)

- -Son of Man occurs 84 times in the gospels
- -Son of Man occurs 13 times in John
- -This title speaks of the deity and humanity of Jesus
- -Daniel 7:13 calls the Messiah "Son of Man"
- -John 12:34 emphasizes this relationship

John has walked us through four days in the life of Jesus. At the end of the fourth day Jesus had six men who believed in Him. Now the process of discipleship would begin over the next three years. Jesus had invited them to "come and see". What they would hear and see would change them and the world!

God's invitation to you is "come and see".

If you do not know Him as Savior, Jesus invites you to believe.

If you have believed, He invites you to follow.