



# **Journeys of Christmas: THE Messiah**

John 1:1-14



# John 1:

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 came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. 5 The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. 6 There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a



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witness, to testify about the Light, so that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the Light, but [he came] to testify about the Light. 9 There was the true Light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.



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the right to become children of God, [even] to those who believe in His name, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

# PROMISES!

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- We have so many dreams and plans...
- Promises are part of God's PLAN for us
- God's Promises are always a sure thing!
- Gen 3:15
- First time word used? Gen 21:1

# The Word!

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- Power of Creation
- Messages to patriarchs
  - Fathers: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph
  - Prophets: Moses, Samuel, Isaiah, Daniel
- God reveals Himself to EVERY person!

# God comes!

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- The WORD - was GOD...
  - Existed in all eternity with the Father
  - “All things came into being by Him” (3)
  - In Him was LIFE/Light of all men! (4)
- Why do we look everywhere but to HIM!?



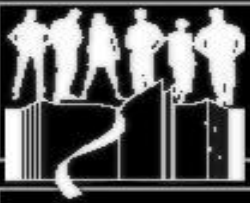
Heb 1:3 And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high; 4 having become as much better than the angels, as He has inherited a more excellent name than they.



# The Light SHINES!

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- The nature of light cannot change!
- Darkness cannot “overtake” it... runs!
- Jesus left the GLORY... not grasped
- Opened his heart/hand and became us!



## Philippians 2:

5 Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. 8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

# To those who receive HIM!

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- Jesus has done it all, finished the journey!
- Invites you to be a part of His FOREVER
- Joseph, Mary, Shepherds, Magi, YOU!
- 12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name