

# St John's Prologue

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## John 1:1-18

### Prologue: Christ, the Eternal Word

1 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.

4 The Word gave life to everything that was created,<sup>[a]</sup>  
and his life brought light to everyone.

5 The light shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness can never extinguish it.<sup>[b]</sup>

6 God sent a man, John the Baptist,<sup>[c]</sup> 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<sup>[d]</sup> and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness.<sup>[e]</sup> And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

15 John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me.'"

16 From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another.<sup>[f]</sup> 17 For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God. But the unique One, who is himself God,<sup>[g]</sup> is near to the Father's heart. He has revealed God to us

Highlight the words and phrases that speak about Christ

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Which words and phrases speak about Christ?

John 1:1 starts out with the same three words that the whole Bible starts out with. We're reminded that God has no beginning and He was all there was when everything else began. In the beginning there was also The Word. Who is The Word?

There was just God, but there was someone with God, and that someone was God Himself.

Incarnation – Jesus becoming a man and putting on a body.

Why was it so special that Jesus came to live with His people?

'The Incarnation.' Look at the hands of Jesus; what is he doing and why?

In the Prologue we discover that Christ has always been in existence. In the Creed that we say at Mass, "Begotten not made, of one being with the Father, through him all things were made."

Because the Christmas story is so familiar to us we often forget that God became man and came to live amongst His people.

# Task

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On your sheet, highlight the words and phrases that speak of Christ in the prologue.

In the box underneath, journal the titles for Jesus that are in the prologue. You may present this as we have in the past in the style of Bible journaling. You may shade them in and decorate this area tastefully. 😊

Once you have finished, upload your work to Seesaw. Remember to try and keep all of your work in one book/folder.