



Discussion Questions: John 1 Introduction

John 1:1-5 NKJV 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 were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. **4** In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. **5** And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Opening Questions

1. John tells us that he wrote his Gospel so that people might believe in Jesus and have life in His name (John 20:30–31). Why do you think belief in Jesus is still the most important decision a person can make today?

2. Who is one friend, family member, coworker, or neighbor you would love to see come to faith in Christ? How can our group pray for them this week?

3. The theme of this study is "That You May Believe." What originally convinced you that Jesus is who He claimed to be?

Understanding John

4. John never mentions himself by name in his Gospel. What does this teach us about humility and keeping the focus on Christ rather than ourselves

5. John began as a "Son of Thunder" but became known as the Apostle of Love. What does his transformation teach us about the power of Jesus to change a person's life?

6. Why do you think John spends so much time explaining who Jesus is before telling us what Jesus did?

7. What stands out to you most about John's statement: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God"?

8. How does knowing that Jesus existed before creation affect the way you think about Him?

9. John calls Jesus "the Word" (Logos). Why do you think John chose a title that both Greeks and Jews could understand? What does that teach us about evangelism today?

10. How would you respond to someone who says Jesus was merely a good teacher or a created being? What does John 1:1–3 teach us?

Creator and Sustainer

11. Verse 3 says that all things were made through Jesus. How does that truth change the way we view ourselves and our purpose in life?

12. The study points out that Jesus stands on the Creator side of every star and galaxy. What feelings does that produce in you—wonder, humility, worship, trust, something else? Why?

13. Colossians 1:16–17 says that Jesus holds all things together. In what area of your life do you most need to trust Him to "hold things together" right now?

Life and Light

14. John says: "In Him was life, and the life was the light of men." What do you think it means to find life in Jesus rather than merely exist apart from Him?

15. Where do you need Christ's light to shine today—in a relationship, decision, struggle, fear, or area of confusion? How can the group pray for you?

Leader's Closing Question: If Jesus truly is the eternal Word, the Creator of all things, the source of life, and the Light of the world, what is one step of faith He may be asking you to take this week?