

Series "Jesus: God And Savior"
"Who Is This Jesus?"
John 1:1-5
Part-1

John 21:25

Matthew, Mark, and Luke are called the "**Synoptic Gospels.**" Synoptic is made up of two Greek words meaning "to see" and "together."

Matthew – was written to the Jews. The theme is "**Jesus Christ, King of The Jews.**"

Mark – was written to the Romans. The theme is "**The Servant Who Rules.**"

Luke – was written to the Greeks. The theme is "**Jesus, The Perfect Man.**"

John – Written to Gentiles and Christians, that we might believe. John gives details about Jewish customs and laws. The Theme is "**The Deity of Jesus Christ.**"

Author – The Apostle John, "The Beloved"; is never mentioned in the Gospel. John 21:20-24 Mentions the disciple that leaned on Jesus, the one that Jesus loved.

Mark 3:17; Luke 9:52-56

The only words in the Gospels attributed specifically to John are: Luke 9:49-50.

On another occasion, the two brothers asked to sit in places of honor, Matthew 20:20-24.

Theme Of John – The Deity of Jesus Christ. Jesus is God in the flesh. "**Jesus: God And Savior**", John 1:29.

The Date – The date probably between 85 to 95 AD.

Key Passage of John – **John 20:30-31.**

The Purpose – There are **3 words** in this key passage that give the purpose of this gospel:

1. Signs – John 20:30

Jesus' Seven "Signs" in the Gospel of John:

- 1. Master of Quality** – Changing water into wine in Cana (2:1-11).
- 2. Master of Distance and Space** – Healing an official's son in Capernaum (4:46-54).
- 3. Master of Time** – Healing an invalid at the Pool of Bethesda in Jerusalem (5:1-18).
- 4. Master of Quantity** – Feeding the 5,000 near the Sea of Galilee (6:5-14).
- 5. Master of Natural Law** – Walking on the water on the Sea of Galilee (6:16-21).
- 6. Master of Misfortune** – Healing a blind man in Jerusalem (9:1-7).
- 7. Master of Death** – Raising dead Lazarus in Bethany (11:1-45).

2. Believe – The Apologetic Gospel. John 20:31

3. Life – Effective Gospel. John 20:31

Jesus came to give life to us. John 10:10

Key Words – Father 137X, believe 98X, world 78X, love 57X, life 36X, truth 26X, light 22X, eternal 17X, darkness 7X.

The Outline of The Gospel of John:

John 1:1-18 – Prologue

John 1:19-12:50 – Public Ministry: (3 years)

John 13-17 – Private Instruction: (3 days)

John 18-21 – Passion Victory

Thought Of Our Passage: "We Believe Jesus Is The Son Of God Because He Is Eternal, Creator And The Source Of All Life."

1. Verses 1-2 – Jesus Is Eternal

2. Verse 3 – Jesus Is The Creator

3. Verses 4-5 – Jesus, Source Of Life

1. Verses 1-2 – Jesus Is Eternal:

John 1:1 – John Declares 5 Truths Regarding The Person Of Jesus:

1. **Jesus Is The Eternal Preexistent Word:** “In the beginning was **the Word,**” – Literally, “In the beginning the Word was existing”; “beginning” – “source, origin” Genesis 1:1; 1 John 1:1.

“Eternality of Jesus Christ” He is eternal by nature, That Jesus had no beginning.

Romans 1:19-20

2. **Jesus Is Called The Word:** “In the beginning was **the Word,**” – How do we know that the “**Word**” is speaking about Jesus Christ? John 1:14

“Word” – logos – “faculty of reason or thought, the idea of speech or word, expression of a thought”

John uses “Logos”; presents “Jesus as the incarnation of Divine power and revelation, Jesus communicates the hidden God, Jesus the personal revelation of the truth of God.” Jesus reveals Who God is and what God is like!

Jesus is much more than the verbal communication for God. He did not merely tell God’s truth, He was God’s truth; Living Word. John 1:18

John 7:46

3. **Jesus Is The Personal Word:** “and the Word was with God,”

“with” – (Imperfect tense) means a continuum, “always was and always will be, face to face.”

Genesis 1:1 – The name “Elohim” is the plural name for God.

Genesis 1:26

In the New Testament:

At The Baptism of Jesus Christ: Matthew 3:16-17

The Words For Baptism: Matthew 28:19

The Apostles Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14

The Teaching of Jesus: John 14:16

4. **Jesus Is The Divine Word:** “and the Word was God.” – Clearest, most direct declaration of Jesus’ Deity, John 14:9.

Jesus’ Seven “I Am’s” in the Gospel of John:

1. “I am the Bread of Life” (6:35)
2. “I am the Light of the world” (8:12)
3. “I am the Door for the sheep” (10:7; 9)
4. “I am the Good Shepherd” (10:11, 14)
5. “I am the Resurrection and the Life” (11:25)
6. “I am the Way and the Truth and the Life” (14:6)
7. “I am the true Vine” (15:1; 5)

5. **Jesus Is The Unchanging Word:** John 1:2

Hebrews 13:8 – Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Immutability of God – Immutability assures us that none of God’s perfections change.

Malachi 3:6

2. Verse 3 – Jesus Is The Creator:

John 1:3

Jesus Is God The Creator – All things came into being 3X “creating out of nothing” in the verse.

Colossians 1:16-17

Hebrews 1:2

Revelation 4:11

The creator of all things must Himself be uncreated. Only the eternal God is uncreated.

3. Verses 4-5 – Jesus, Source Of Life: John 1:4

Jesus Is The Source Of Life: “In Him was life,” – Jesus’ life is not dependent upon any, but is self-existent, unlimited, inexhaustible, only God is self-existent!

Jesus Is The Source Of Spiritual Life: “and the life was the light of men.” – What do we mean by light? Intellectually – “truth, the light of reason”; Morally – “holiness” Psalm 36:9.

John 8:12; John 14:6; 2 Corinthians 4:4

Jesus Is Preeminent Over Darkness: John 1:5

"The light shines in the darkness," – "light shines continually in the darkness"

"darkness," – spiritual evil, the state of the world under Satan's sway since the fall.

"and the darkness did not comprehend it." – "overcome it." The light was met with resistance; "grasping with the mind, grasping so as to resist or eliminate." Evil is ever attempting to overcome the light. Luke 4:34

John 3:18-19; John 1:12

Application:

1. We Believe Jesus Is The Son Of God Because He Is Eternal, Creator And The Source Of All Life.
2. John 1:3 – Jesus, The Creator Of All Things, Must Himself Be Uncreated. Only The Eternal God Is Uncreated.
3. Unbelievers Are Eternally Lost. Not Because They Do Not Know The Truth, But Because They Reject It: John 8:24.