

BIBLE LESSONS ON JOHN

JOHN 1

To help you grow spiritually, we have put together a series of lessons from the Gospel of John. At the end of the lesson, on a separate page, the answers to the questions are provided, so you can do a self-check on your responses.

Read John 1:1-5.

In verse one, it tells us that "In the beginning was the Word". Jesus has many NAMES. The name for Jesus here is **THE WORD**. We communicate with words and God communicated Himself to us in the Person of Jesus. Therefore He is called THE WORD. Jesus is the communication of God to us.

Verse one tells us that the Word was not only with God but that the Word was Himself _____.

Read John 1:6-18

Jesus is God who came to earth as a man. His glory was that He was God living in a human body. He is the GOD-MAN. John and the other apostles saw this glory in person as they saw His love, holiness, and power in action.

Verse 14 says "the Word became _____".

Then John tells us of John the Baptist who was the one who prepared the way for Jesus. John the Baptist's ministry was predicted in the Old Testament (cf. Isaiah 40:3). He prepared the people and then he introduced Jesus.

Read John 1:19-34

In the Old Testament, there are many "pictures" of Jesus in the various sacrifices offered up by the Jews. The Old Testament predicts the coming of Jesus through prophecy. There are many types (pictures) of Him that would be ultimately fulfilled in Him. In the Old Testament, God honored these pictures for a time but they really pointed forward to the ULTIMATE sacrifice - the Lord Jesus Christ. All of the OT sacrificial lambs were PICTURES of the ULTIMATE LAMB (Jesus Christ) who would come and take away the sin of the WHOLE WORLD by dying on the cross. This is what John the Baptist announced in John 1:29.

In verse 29 John the Baptist introduced Jesus as THE Lamb of God who _____.

Read John 1:35-51

Now let's go back to John 1:12-13.

John 1:12-13 (NKJV)

12 But **as many as received Him, [Jesus]** to them He gave the right to become children of God, 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**.

According to verse 12 who are the children of God? _____
_____.

To RECEIVE Jesus means to BELIEVE in His name. His NAME is who He is; that is, His PERSON. We have seen that Jesus is God as well as man. We have seen that He is the Lamb of God (Savior) who takes away the sin of the world. All those who BELIEVE in Jesus as their personal God and Savior are given the right to be children of God. All those who BELIEVE in the Person of Christ are spiritually BORN OF GOD.

Here are some of the key truths in John 1.

1. Jesus is God (verse 1).
2. Jesus as God became a Man. He is the God-Man (verse 14).
3. Jesus came to be the sacrificial Lamb so He might die for the sins of the whole world (verse 29).
4. Those who believe in Jesus' NAME (Who He is as God and Savior) are now children of God (verses 12-13).

What is your understanding of Jesus? _____
_____.

Who is Jesus to you personally? _____
_____.

Please turn to the next page to do a SELF-CHECK of your answers. If you have further questions, email them to doswald1@cox.net.

ANSWERS ON NEXT PAGE

Verse one tells us that the Word was not only with God, but that the Word was Himself **GOD.**

Verse 14 says “the Word became **FLESH**”.

In verse 29, John the Baptist introduced Jesus as THE Lamb of God who **TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD!**

According to verse 12, who are the children of God? **THOSE THAT RECEIVE JESUS BY BELIEVING IN HIS NAME.**