

Series Sermon-based Growth Group Questions

May 30, 2021

John 1:1-5

Introductory Discussion:

What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Discussion:

1. The "Word" is the Greek word "logos," and it can also be translated "reason," or "plan," "logic," and is defined as the divine reason behind the entire world, ordering it and giving it form and meaning. John applies that concept to Jesus. How does it help to know that Jesus is the reason, or logic, behind everything?

2. Why does it matter that the "Reason" is a person (Jesus)?
 - a. How does it change your priorities if you are believing in and relying on a person (personal God), rather than an idea, or principle, or doctrine?

3. Why is it important to know that Jesus was there before the universe actually existed, that he is God, and that all things were created by him and through him?
 - a. What does it mean that you can have a relationship with a person who is also bigger than the entire universe?

4. Another significance of being the Word is that whatever He speaks into existence reveals his heart (see Luke 6:45) Since God is love, creation is an act of love. Whom does Jesus love and what is his ultimate goal?

5. According to verse 4, "in Him (Jesus) was life." What does this verse mean by life?
 - a. According to John 17:3, "And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent." How does this verse define life?
 - b. How does one get that life?

6. It is important that Jesus is expressed as the light coming **into** the darkness. Where is the nonbeliever in that image?
 - a. Who reaches out to whom?
 - b. Why is it important to know that it starts with him reaching out to us?

7. Light reveals the truth. Does your relationship with God reveal the truth about who you are to you?