



## International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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### **The Light of the World is Jesus** **John 1:1-5**

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.*

**John 1:1** — *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:2* — *He was in the beginning with God.*

Throughout the Good News of John, he makes plain that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Word. The Lord Jesus Christ is eternal, the eternal God. Jesus, the Son of God, did not begin to exist, for He always existed. He existed before and when God made the heavens and the earth. He will live forever.

The Lord Jesus Christ is a Person distinct from God the Father. The Father and the Word are two Persons; for the Word was with God and the Word was God. The Lord Jesus Christ is not a created angel, but God. As the Son of God, Jesus Christ is not inferior to God the Father. The Father and the Son are the One Perfect God in unity from eternity past into eternity future.

**John 1:3** — *All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being John 1:4* — *in him was life, and the life was the light of all people.*

The Lord Jesus Christ is the Creator of all things, the Creator of all that exists (other than the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: these three Persons are the One true and eternal God ). The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit have always been and will always be. Jesus made all created things and beings. Nothing was made without Jesus. Beginning with nothing, Jesus (the Word) made the universe, the form of the universe, and all the universe contains. Those Jesus made in the image of God also create,

but they create out of “something” that Jesus made. They think and create with the brain and the mind that Jesus gave them. Jesus made all material and spiritual existence in the universe, for in Jesus was and is life and light. All spiritual life and light come through Jesus. Whatever spiritual life and light we have is from and through Jesus Christ. Jesus gives new life and light to all who believe in Him, and they love and follow His life and light.

**John 1:5** — *The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it.*

The darkness is the spiritual darkness and sin in the world as it now exists apart from God and in opposition to the Father, the Son (the Word), the Holy Spirit, and all Their adopted children (the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ). Throughout the ages, the vast majority have refused to walk in the light or follow the light, but they have not comprehended or overcome the light. What light they do have, if any, has come from Jesus Christ, who is the life and light of all people, for He created all people in the image of God. Jesus is the Lord and Savior of all who follow Him. He lives with and He lives within all His followers, as the Good News of John and the Bible teach us. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

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