

Series: That You Might Believe (John)
Jesus Is Life (John 1:4) – Part 2

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Jesus Is God

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God.

1. The **Existence** of the Word – **WHEN** He Was
“In the beginning was the Word” (Ἐν ἀρχῇ ἦν ὁ λόγος) - 7 “Beginnings”
2. The **Presence** of the Word – **WHERE** He Was
“and the Word was with God” (καὶ ὁ λόγος ἦν πρὸς τὸν θεόν)
3. The **Essence** of the Word – **WHAT** He Was
“and the Word was God” (καὶ θεὸς ἦν ὁ λόγος)
4. The **Face** of the Word – **WHO** He Was – John 1:14

Jesus Is the Creator of Everything

All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

1. The **Fact** of Jesus’ “Creatorship”
 - All things through Him became (πάντα δι’ αὐτοῦ ἐγένετο)
2. The **Extent** of Jesus’ “Creatorship” (cp Col 1:15-17)
 - Without him became not one thing which has become.
 - Where (any **place**); What (any **thing**); Who (any **body**)
3. The **Purpose** of His “Creatorship” – Worship (Rev 4:11); Service (Eph 2:10)
4. The **Results** of His “Creatorship” – Accountability (Heb 4:13); Authority (Rom 8:39)

Jesus Is Life (Introduction)

1. **Two Words for “Life”**
 - βίος – bios – process of life – experience
 - ζωή – zōē – presence of life – existence
2. **Two Realms of “Life”**
 - Creation – physical life (everyone)
 - New Creation – spiritual life (only the saved)
3. **The Opposite of “Life”** – Opposite of ζωή (zōē) is death
 - John 5:24 “Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.” (cf. Gen 2:17; Eph 2:5)
4. **The Full Meaning of “Life”**
 - Sin results in DEATH
 - Life requires HOLINESS
5. **The Provision of “Life” (John 3:16; 10:10)**
 - John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
 - John 10:10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

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1. Jesus is the Originator or Author of Life

- John 1:4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.
- John 5:26 “For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself,
- Acts 3:15 “and killed the Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses.

2. Jesus is the Restorer of Eternal Life

A. LIFE: The POSSESSION of Eternal Life

- John 11:25 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.
- John 14:6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.
- Rom 5:10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.
- Rom 5:17 For if by the one man’s offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.)
- 1 John 5:12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.
- 2 Tim 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

B. LIVING: The FUNCTION of Eternal Life

- 2 Cor 4:10 always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.
- 2 Cor 4:11 For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus’ sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.
- 2 Cor 4:12 So then death is working in us, but life in you.

C. ENDING: The FULFILLMENT of Eternal Life

- Col 3:4 When Christ *who is* our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

3. Who Is Jesus to You?