

Thus begins the greatest story ever told, about the greatest Man Who ever lived, Who accomplished the greatest work the world has ever known.

The Gospel of John tells the story of Jesus of Nazareth – His teaching, works, claims, and tragic death at the hands of jealous rivals and political power-brokers.

But Jesus' story is also the story of God coming to earth to accomplish a work of redemption, so that people like you and I can know real life, true freedom, and lasting peace and joy.

John reports, as do all the other gospel and New Testament accounts, that Jesus rose from the dead, thus demonstrating the truth of His claims and fulfilling the work He had come to do. For twenty centuries people in every nation and culture, from every walk of life, and of all races, tribes, and tongues have listened to the story of Jesus and heard the Truth that has set them free to know true, full, and abundant life.

You owe it to yourself to examine the claims of Jesus and consider the meaning and implications of His life, death, and resurrection for you.

Straight Talk about Jesus

We've prepared a free and brief study inviting you to examine and consider the teaching of the the Gospel of John about Jesus of Nazareth. This study is free for the asking.

In this study you'll have the opportunity to read excerpts from the Biblical account of Jesus – both before and after His time on earth. You'll be able to consider for yourself contemporary reports about what Jesus did and taught, how His opponents understood Him, what the impact of His life and teachings was on those who followed Him, and what He promises to all who believe and receive Him as the Word and Son of God and the Explanation for everything.

From the days of John the Baptist to the present, countless people have found the claims of Jesus to be just as He said. Isn't it about time you thought for yourself about Jesus? Because if 2,000 years of continuous Christian testimony are correct, and Jesus is Who He claims to be, then a whole new life of light and joy and purpose and power awaits you.

It's up to you. Contact us today.



The Explanation

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John 1.1-14



¹ **Before the universe began to be,** and all that it consists of and contains, the Word already was. He is the Power, the Explanation, and the Reason for all things. He was before all things with God, and He was God.

² The Word was with God when the universe and all that is began to be, ³ and He created everything. Apart from Him, without His will and power, no single thing that has been made, was made.

⁴ In Him was life, eternal life, the light of men ⁵ which shines into the darkness to expose unrighteousness with grace and truth, and show the way to life. And darkness has not overcome Him, no, nor ever shall.



⁶ God sent a man named John.

He came to be a witness to the Light, that all who heard him might renounce unrighteous ways, and through the Light believe. ⁸ This John was not the Light; he came to testify about the Light and to prepare the way before Him. ⁹ For the True Light, Who gives light to everyone, was coming to the world.

Apart from Him, without His will and power, no single thing that has been made, was made.

¹⁰ And He was in

the world – which He created – yet the world did not acknowledge Him. ¹¹ The Light came to His own, but they did not receive Him. ¹² But to all who did receive Him, and believed in Him as Word and Light and Life, to them He gave the privilege of becoming God's own children, ¹³ born of God by grace alone, and not by any works of flesh or will.

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Nicolas Poussin: St. John the Baptist Baptizes the People

¹⁴ For the eternal Word took flesh,

and came

among us, dwelt on earth in time. And we have seen His glory, full of grace and truth, the glory of the holy Son of God.

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