



# Behold The King

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December 9 & 10, 2023

## **John 1:1–14 (NLT)**

In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. He existed in the beginning with God. God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him. The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never extinguish it. God sent a man, John the Baptist, to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God. So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Greek) = **Jesus, the perfect imprint of God's being.**

## **Three Realities about Jesus the Word (*Logos*):**

**1** **Jesus the Word (*Logos*) has existed \_\_\_\_\_.**

### **John 1:1–3 (TPT)**

In the beginning the Living Expression was already there. And the Living Expression was with God, yet fully God. They were together—face-to-face, in the very beginning. And through his creative inspiration this Living Expression made all things, for nothing has existence apart from him!

### **Colossians 1:15–17 (TPT)**

He is the divine portrait, the true likeness of the invisible God, and the firstborn heir of all creation. For in him was created the universe of things, both in the heavenly realm and on the earth, all that is seen and all that is unseen. Every seat of power, realm of government, principality, and authority—it all exists through him and for his purpose! He existed before anything was made, and now everything finds completion in him.

**What does this mean for me?**

I can have a \_\_\_\_\_ today.

### **Colossians 1:20–22 (NLT)**

...and through him God reconciled everything to himself. He made peace with everything in heaven and on earth by means of Christ's blood on the cross. This includes you who were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions. Yet now he has reconciled you to himself through the death of Christ in his physical body. As a result, he has brought you into his own presence, and you are holy and blameless as you stand before him without a single fault.

**2**

**Jesus the Word (*Logos*) is The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in this dark world.**

### **John 1:4–5 (TPT)**

A fountain of life was in him, for his life is light for all humanity. And this Light never fails to shine through darkness—Light that darkness could not overcome!

### **Matthew 4:16 (LB)**

...there the people who sat in darkness have seen a great Light; they sat in the land of death, and the Light broke through upon them.

**What does this mean for me?**

I can have a \_\_\_\_\_ today.

**3**

**Jesus the Word (*Logos*) provides total \_\_\_\_\_.**

### **John 1:12–13 (NLT)**

But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

**Three ways we are NOT born again:**

- **Not born again by \_\_\_\_\_** – being born of Christian parents doesn't mean you inherit salvation.
- **Not born again by the power of the \_\_\_\_\_** – we do not have the power to produce righteousness.
- **Not born again by the \_\_\_\_\_ of another Christian** – no other Christian can save you.

**Romans 3:24–28 (NLT)**

Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins. For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, for he was looking ahead and including them in what he would do in this present time. God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he makes sinners right in his sight when they believe in Jesus. Can we boast, then, that we have done anything to be accepted by God? No, because our acquittal is not based on obeying the law. It is based on faith. So we are made right with God through faith and not by obeying the law.

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