

## **Jesus: The Word that changes everything**

The disciple named John wrote an account of the life of Jesus. He began his work with the following statement:

**'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.'** *John 1:1 ESV*

John later reveals to us that 'the Word' is Jesus. If you think about different situations in your life, you'll probably come to find that there are times when one word can change everything. Well, according to John, Jesus is 'the Word' and a very significant one. John continues to tell us that everything was made through 'the Word' and nothing was made without Him. He then tells us that life is found in 'the Word'. And that life has the ability to enlighten everyone.

So, as you know there are times that people can say things to us that have the potential to make drastic changes in our lives. A deeper reality is that by taking in Jesus and taking on the life that He brings; you actually tap into the power to see your entire world change. And this change is good. You can trust the change that Jesus comes to bring. Don't forget this verse:

**'A thief is only there to steal and kill and destroy. I came so they can have real and eternal life, more and better life than they ever dreamed of.'** *John 10:10 The Message*

John believed that Jesus was 'the Word' that changes everything. He believed this for a number of reasons. One reason being that John believed Jesus had the ability to see and hear God ('the Word' was with God). He further illustrates this by a later quote:

**'No one has ever seen God, not so much as a glimpse. This one -of-a-kind God-Expression, who exists at the very heart of the Father, has made him plain as day.'** *John 1:18 The Message*

Jesus could speak for God and explain what God was like simply because He had actually been the only one to see God. So we can trust what 'the Word' says, since He only speaks what He has heard from God.

John goes even further, saying that Jesus was not only 'the Word', but that 'the Word' is God. That is a huge claim to make in the first few lines of a written work. However, this is the question that we all must wrestle with. To see Jesus as 'the Word' allows for major changes in the way we live and think. There are many who do not accept Jesus as 'the Word'. But check out what John said about those who did:

**'But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.'** *John 1:12-13 ESV*

What would your life look like if you lived from the perspective of being a child of the God who made everything? How would your dreams and goals change if you knew that there was a huge supernatural force working behind the scenes for you? How would your relationships change if your core beginning was found in the Creator of the universe? Your life looks a lot different, doesn't it? If you like the idea of 'the Word' changing everything in your world, keep exploring Jesus. He is the full expression of what God is like and everything that He says comes straight from God's mouth. We can trust Jesus with our lives.

PRAYER: Jesus, I'm beginning to realize that you, as 'the Word' have the power to drastically change my life. I ask that you would help me as I begin to give you my life and see what it is that you can do with it. I trust that you do have the power to make it greater than I could dream, help me as I put my trust in You. Amen.