

JOHN 1; September 11; The Word Was Made Flesh

ANALYSIS:

1. How many things can you learn about “the Word” in verses 1-3 and 14? _____
2. Who was the man sent from God, and why was he sent? _____
3. In contrast to the law which came by Moses, what came by Jesus Christ? _____
4. John showed his profound humility and devotion to Christ by saying he was unworthy to do what? _____
5. What glorious statement does John the Baptist speak about Jesus? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

The human penman of this gospel is John the son of Zebedee (Mt 4:21). John and his brother James were called “the sons of thunder” (Mk 3:17), and they lived up to being of fiery temperament by asking the Lord if they could call down fire on a village of the Samaritans (Lu 9:54). John states that his purpose in this Gospel is to present irrefutable proof that Jesus is the Christ the Son of God and that believing ye might have life through His name (Jo 20:31). It is estimated that 92% of the content is unique to John and is not found in the other Gospels. By comparison Matthew has 42%, Mark 7% and Luke 59 % unique to their Gospel. There are 8 of the 35 miracles of Christ recorded in John, and 6 are found only here. John was included in the inner circle close to Jesus (Mt 17:1; Mk 5:37; Lu 8:51). Five times he speaks of himself being the disciple “whom Jesus loved” (Jo 13:23; 19:26; 20:2; 21:7, 20).

Do you reflect upon the love Jesus has for you? We have all four Gospel records of Jesus' love and sacrifice for us and all the rest of the New Testament which exalts the love God has for His own. “The son of God, who loved me, and gave Himself for me” (Gal 2:20). “Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins” (1 Jo 4:10). “Unto Him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in His own blood” (Rev 1:5). “For I am persuaded that ... [nothing] .. shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (Rom 8:38-39). Let us rejoice and thank our Savior God for His love bestowed upon us!

HELP:

1. The Word was in the beginning, was with God, was God, made all things, was made flesh and dwelt among us, revealed the glory of God (vs 1-3, 14).
2. He was John the Baptist, and he came to bear witness of the Light (Jesus) that men might believe the Light (vs 6-8).
3. Grace and truth (v 17).
4. To unloose Jesus' shoe latchet (v 27).
5. Behold the Lamb of God (vs 29, 36), which taketh away the sin of the world (v 29).