

Behold His Glory: Behold The Word
John 1:1-5

Main Point: Jesus is God

Getting to Know You

1. *What has brought you joy or made you happy in the last 14 days?*

Getting Into the Book:

2. Open Bibles to John 1:1-5 (invite a volunteer to read it out loud).
3. Everyone close their bible. Invite everyone to re-tell John 1:1-5 from memory. Begin by asking, "How does it begin?" If the re-telling stalls, ask the question, "What was next?"
 - a. *ADVANCED: After everyone has retold it together, see if anyone thinks they can recite from memory alone.*
 - b. *DOUBLE-DOG DARE ADVANCED: See if the group can recite it from memory one person one verse at a time (ex: Jack recites verse 1, Samantha recites verse 2, etc.)*
4. Invite everyone to open their Bibles to John 1:1-5 again and see how well they did. Be sure to note anything that was added, left out, or moved from the Bible.
5. Ask the group: *From John 1:1-5, what do you learn about God, Jesus, or His character?*
6. Ask the group: *Can you identify or reference another scripture verse(s) that speak to Jesus being God? If you can, go to those verses, read them out loud, and talk about how they may connect with John 1:1-5.*
7. Ask the group: *Why is it important that Jesus is God and part of the Trinity (same in substance; distinct in role) and not a different god, a created being, or just a prophet?*
8. Ask the group: *From John 1:1-5, what do you learn about people?*
9. Ask the group: *How would you communicate John 1:1-5 to another believer? How would you communicate John 1:1-5 to someone who is not a Christian yet?*

Getting Out There

10. Ask the group: *From what we've learned in the Bible today and our conversation with one another, what do you sense the Holy Spirit is inviting you (you personally - not "us" or "the church" but you) to do in your life?*

Prayer

Ask the group: *What has stressed you out or what has been on your mind over the last week? Use the responses as ways to pray for one another.*