



“The Almighty in the Manger”

John 1:1-5

December 10, 2023

QUICK REVIEW

Read John 1:1-5

Four portraits of Christ to put glory in our hearts:

1. He is the one eternal _____ (1:1-2).
2. He is the _____ Word (1:1).
3. He is the _____ of all things (1:3).
4. He is the _____ light (1:4-5).

Was any truth in this passage or point in this sermon particularly insightful, helpful, convicting or challenging for you?

Why do you think God wanted you to hear this message at this time in your life?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. John starts his presentation of Christ by declaring him to be the “The Word” who existed in the beginning. Because John spoke from a Jewish framework, we can gain a sense of his meaning in the OT. Read the following passages. How does each one help us appreciate the fact that Jesus is the Word made flesh? What implication does each passage have with your relationship with God?
 - Genesis 1
 - Psalm 29
 - Psalm 46:4-7
 - Isaiah 11:1-5
 - Isaiah 55:8-11

2. The Son of God is the creator of all things. This weekend’s message warned that every gift/possession we have is both “precious” and “precarious.” What does that mean? How does the convict you and/or encourage you?

3. Bring to mind some of the things you own and/or enjoy. Write them down. Then think of them in view of the following passages. What does it mean that they are from Christ and for Christ, but given to you?
 - Romans 11:33-36
 - Colossians 1:15-17
 - Psalm 50:7-15

4. Jesus is the invincible light. In what ways do you worry that the darkness is overcoming the light in our world? How does the Lord’s I AM statement in John 8:12 help you?