

# The Eternal Word

## The Eternal Christ

### Genesis 1

#### The History of Creation

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

### John 1:1-14

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##### The Eternal Word

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend<sup>[a]</sup> it.

##### John's Witness: The True Light

<sup>6</sup> There was a man sent from God, whose name *was* John. <sup>7</sup> This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. <sup>8</sup> He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that Light. <sup>9</sup> That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.<sup>[b]</sup>

<sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.

<sup>11</sup> He came to His own,<sup>[c]</sup> and His own<sup>[d]</sup> did not receive Him. <sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

##### The Word Becomes Flesh

<sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

## **John 1:18**

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<sup>18</sup> No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son,<sup>[a]</sup> who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared *Him*.

**The whole truth concerning Jesus Christ is found in these eighteen versus.**

### **3 Declarations**

**v.1 In the beginning was the Word**

**v. 14 The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.**

**v. 18 No one has seen God the Son (Word) has declared Him.**

**Bosom of the father- the unique loving relationship of the Son with the Father.**

**John the Baptist- “bear witness”**

## **1 John 5:7**

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<sup>7</sup> For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one.

## **John 14:9**

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<sup>9</sup> Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father’?”

## **The true light**

**To these who believe He also enlightens the human conscience**

### **Romans 1:18-20**

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#### **God's Wrath on Unrighteousness**

<sup>18</sup> For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, <sup>19</sup> because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown *it* to them. <sup>20</sup> For since the creation of the world His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, *even* His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,

**The Creator was not received by His creation. John 1:10, 11**

### **Philippians 2:5-8**

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#### **The Humbled and Exalted Christ**

<sup>5</sup> Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, <sup>7</sup> but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, *and* coming in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to *the point of* death, even the death of the cross.

**or legal authority John 1:12**

**believe- in His name**

### **Acts 4:12**

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<sup>12</sup> Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.”

## **“born” John 1:13**

### **John 3:5-7**

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<sup>5</sup> Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. <sup>6</sup> That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. <sup>7</sup> Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’”

### **Who were born**

**Two fold meaning- Jesus and the believer**

**Not natural but supernatural.**

**Full of grace and truth**

**ROMANS 5:20b-21**

But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, <sup>21</sup> so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Grace is God meeting us at our point of need in the person of Jesus Christ including all His power and provision.**

## **Only begotten- One and Only John 1:18**

### **Romans 5:8-9**

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<sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. <sup>9</sup> Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

## **Eternal Savior**

### **John 10:28**

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<sup>28</sup> And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

### **John 17:3**

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<sup>3</sup> And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.

### **Romans 6:23**

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<sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **1 Timothy 6:12a**

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<sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life

### **1 John 5:11-13**

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<sup>11</sup> And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. <sup>12</sup> He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. <sup>13</sup> These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life,<sup>[a]</sup> and that you may *continue to* believe in the name of the Son of God.

## **The Eternal Word, the Eternal Christ is God's gift to the believer at Christmas.**

**Note: Eternal- always will be. Never changing.**

### **John 4:10**

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<sup>10</sup> Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

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### **Ephesians 2:8**

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<sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God,

### **2 Corinthians 9:15**

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<sup>15</sup> Thanks *be* to God for His indescribable gift!

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<sup>15</sup> Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift.

**For His gift beyond words NEB**

**Merry Christmas**