

**John's Nativity Passage Series: #1**

**John 1:1-5** <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 with God in the beginning. <sup>3</sup>Through Him all things were made, and without Him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup>In Him was life, and that life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup>The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. (BSB)

**I. Here are the details of this passage.**

- A.** This passage begins similar to Genesis 1:1 “In the **beginning**...”
- B.** This passage builds on the Jewish concept of the **Logos**. This was their belief that all things were created by God speaking. A “**word**” is a thought organized for the purpose of communication.
- C.** This **Word** was in the beginning, face to face with God, and was God. V. 1-2
- D.** All things were **created** through Him. V. 3  
**Romans 8:38-39** <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup>neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. (BSB)
- E.** The **uniqueness** of mankind was given by Him. He is the prototype of man. He is the image of God. We are created according to this image. V. 4
- F.** He is the **light** that cannot be extinguished. V. 5

**II. How can we apply this to our life and what does this have to do with Christmas?**

- A.** We must **acknowledge** that Jesus Christ is God but that He is distinct from the Father and the Spirit. The Son of God **preexisted** His birth as God The Son.  
**John 8:23-24** <sup>23</sup>Then He told them, “You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. <sup>24</sup>That is why I told you that you would die in your sins. For unless you believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.” (BSB)
- B.** Christmas is the season that we celebrate the **uncreated** God becoming human and revealing God to us.  
**John 1:14** The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (BSB)
- C.** The best **gift** to give Jesus Christ is to lift up His name and to share your story with others.  
**Colossians 1:24** Now I rejoice in my sufferings for you, and I fill up in my flesh what is lacking in regard to Christ's afflictions for the sake of His body, which is the church. (BSB)
- D.** If we **proclaim** Him, the darkness doesn't stand a chance of defeating Him.