

### **Small Group Discussion:**

After watching or listening to the lesson online, these are the discussion questions:

How did you like the introduction to John's Gospel? Will the background information help you understand the text better?

Ask someone to read John 1:1 **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made... 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us ...**

**Comprehension:** (In other words, What does it say?)

What/Who do you think the author John refers to as "the Word" in John 1:1?

How long has the "Word" existed?

Who made everything? (See John 1:3; Colossians 1:15-17; Hebrews 1:1-3)

**Interpretation:** (In other words, What does it mean?)

Based on your initial interpretation of this verse, why would John link God and "the Word"?

When you read **John 1:1-2**, what do you understand about God and Jesus?

If you were going to write your own version of John 1:1-3, 14 what would you say? {Ex.: I would substitute the word Jesus or Truth or Christ for Word, like this: "In the beginning was Jesus and Jesus was with God and Jesus was God. Jesus was with God in the beginning with God. All things were made through Jesus and without Him, nothing was made that was made...14 And Jesus became a person and lived among us."}

**Application:** (In other words, How do I apply this to my life?)

In light of who God is in this passage, how do I apply this to my life? {Ex.:Because I know that Jesus is God and has been around forever and that He made me, I know I can trust Him with every facet of my life. He knows me better than I know myself. I can go to Him for every need I have. No person can meet all my needs, Jesus can.}

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