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Introduction

1 In the beginning the Word was;

and the Word was with God;

and the Word was God.

He was in the beginning with God;

through him all things came into being,

and nothing came into being apart from him.

That which came into being in him was life;

and the life was the light of humanity;

and the light shines in the darkness,

a nd|strong="G2532"
the|strong="G1722" darkness|strong="G4653" never|strong="G3756"
overpowered|strong="H7981" it|strong="G2532".

6There|strong="G1096" appeared|strong="G1096"
a|strong="G1096" man|strong="G2316" sent|strong="G2316"
from|strong="G3844" God|strong="G2316", whose|strong="H0834"
name|strong="G3686" was|strong="G1096" John|strong="G2491";

7he|strong="G3778" came|strong="G2064" as|strong="G1519"
a|strong="G1519" witness|strong="G3140" – to|strong="G1519"
bear|strong="G3140" witness|strong="G3140" to|strong="G1519"
the|strong="G1519" light|strong="G5457"

s o|strong="G2443" that|strong="G2443" through|strong="G1223"
him|strong="G3588" everyone|strong="G3956"
might|strong="G3778" believe|strong="G4100".

8He|strong="G3588" was|strong="G1510"
not|strong="G3756" the|strong="G3588" light|strong="G5457",

b ut|strong="G3588" he|strong="G3588" came|strong="G3588"
to|strong="G2443" bear|strong="G3140" witness|strong="G3140"
to|strong="G2443" the|strong="G3588" light|strong="G5457".

9That|strong="G3739" was|strong="G1510" the|strong="G1519"
true|strong="G3588" light|strong="G5457" which|strong="G3739"
enlightens|strong="G5461" everyone|strong="G3956"
coming|strong="G2064" into|strong="G1519" the|strong="G1519"
world|strong="G2889".

10He|strong="G2532" was|strong="G1510"
in|strong="G1722" the|strong="G1722" world|strong="G2889";

a nd|strong="G2532" through|strong="G1223"
him|strong="G3588" the|strong="G1722" world|strong="G2889"
came|strong="G1096" into|strong="G1722" being|strong="G1510" –

y et|strong="G2532"
the|strong="G1722" world|strong="G2889" did|strong="G2532"
not|strong="G3756" know|strong="G1097" him|strong="G3588".

11He|strong="G2532" came|strong="G2064"
to|strong="G1519" his|strong="G1519" own|strong="G2398" –

y et|strong="G2532"
his|strong="G1519" own|strong="G2398" did|strong="G2532"
not|strong="G3756" receive|strong="G3880" him|strong="G3588".

12But|strong="G1161" to|strong="G1519" all|strong="G3745"
who|strong="G3588" did|strong="G1096" receive|strong="G2983"
him|strong="G3588" he|strong="G1161" gave|strong="G1325"
power|strong="G1849" to|strong="G1519" become|strong="G1096"
children|strong="G5043" of|strong="G2316" God|strong="G2316" –

t o|strong="G1519"
those|strong="G3588" who|strong="G3588" believe|strong="G4100"
in|strong="G1519" his|strong="G1519" name|strong="G3686".

13For|strong="G1537" not|strong="G3756" to|strong="G3756"
natural|strong="H5038" conception|strong="H2032",
nor|strong="G3761" to|strong="G3756" human|strong="G4561"
instincts, nor|strong="G3761" to|strong="G3756" human|strong="G4561"
will|strong="G2307" did|strong="G2316" they|strong="G3739" owe
the|strong="G1537" new|strong="H2319" life|strong="G4561",

b ut|strong="G2316" to|strong="G3756" God|strong="G2316".

14And|strong="G2532"
the|strong="G1722" Word|strong="G3056" became|strong="G1096"
human|strong="G4561", and|strong="G2532" lived|strong="G2532"
among|strong="G1722" us|strong="G2249",

(We|strong="G2249" saw|strong="G2300" his|strong="G1722"
glory|strong="G1391" – the|strong="G1722" glory|strong="G1391"
of|strong="G3056" the|strong="G1722" Only|strong="G3439"
Son|strong="H1121" sent|strong="G2532" from|strong="G3844"
the|strong="G1722" Father|strong="G3962"),

f ull|strong="G4134" of|strong="G3056"
love|strong="H0157" and|strong="G2532" truth|strong="H0571".

15(John|strong="G2491" bears|strong="H3205"
witness|strong="G3140" to|strong="G2532" him|strong="G3588";
he|strong="G2532" cried|strong="G2896" aloud|strong="H7442" –
for|strong="G3754" it|strong="G2532" was|strong="G1510"
he|strong="G2532" who|strong="G3739" spoke|strong="G3004" –

‘ He|strong="G2532" who|strong="G3739" is|strong="G1510"
coming|strong="G2064" after|strong="G3694" me|strong="G1473"
is|strong="G1510" now|strong="G2532" before|strong="G1715"
me|strong="G1473",

f or|strong="G3754"
he|strong="G2532" was|strong="G1510" ever|strong="H5769" first’);

16out|strong="G1537" of|strong="G1537"
his|strong="G3956" fullness|strong="G4138" we|strong="G2249"
have|strong="G2532" all|strong="G3956" received|strong="G2983"

g ift|strong="G5485" after|strong="G2532"
gift|strong="G5485" of|strong="G1537" love|strong="H0157";

17for|strong="G3754" the|strong="G2532"
Law|strong="G3551" was|strong="G1096" given|strong="G1325"
through|strong="G1223" Moses|strong="G3475",

l ove|strong="H0157" and|strong="G2532" truth|strong="H0571"
came|strong="G1096" through|strong="G1223"
Jesus|strong="G2424" Christ|strong="G5547".

18No|strong="G3762"
one|strong="G3762" has|strong="G2316" ever|strong="G1519"
yet|strong="G4455" seen|strong="G3708" God|strong="G2316";

G od|strong="G2316" the|strong="G1519" only|strong="G3439"
Son|strong="G5207", who|strong="G3588" is|strong="G1510"
ever|strong="G1519" with|strong="G2316" the|strong="G1519"
Father|strong="G3962" –

h e|strong="G3588"
has|strong="G2316" revealed|strong="H1540" him|strong="G3588".
The|strong="G1519" Preparation|strong="H3559"

19 When the religious authorities in Jerusalem sent some Priests and Levites to John – ‘Who are you?’²⁰ he told them clearly and simply, ‘I am not the Christ.’

21 ‘What?’ they asked. ‘Are you Elijah?’

‘No,’ he said, ‘I am not.’

‘Are you the prophet?’ He answered, ‘No.’

22 ‘Who then are you?’ they continued. ‘Tell us so that we have to give to those sent us. What do you say about yourself?’

23 ‘I,’ he answered, ‘am –

“ The voice of” one crying aloud in the wilderness: make a straight road for the Lord,” as the prophet Isaiah said.

24 These men had been sent from the Pharisees;²⁵ and their next question was, ‘Why then do you baptize, if you are not Christ or Elijah or “the prophet”?’²⁶ John’s answer was – ‘I baptize with water, but among you stands one whom you do not know;’²⁷ he is coming after me, yet I am not worthy even to unfasten his sandal.’²⁸ This happened at Bethany, across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

29 The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him, and exclaimed, ‘Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!’³⁰ I was talking about him when I said, ‘After me there is coming a man who ranks ahead of me, because he was born before I was already.’³¹ I did not know who he was,

but|strong = "G3588" I|strong = "G1473" have|strong = "G1473"
 come|strong = "G2064" baptizing with|strong = "G1722"
 water|strong = "G5204" to|strong = "G2443" make|strong = "G5319"
 him|strong = "G3588" known|strong = "G5319" to|strong = "G2443"
 Israel|strong = "G2474".³² John|strong = "G2491" also|strong = "G2532"
 said|strong = "G3004":

‘ I|strong = "G2532" saw|strong = "G2300" the|strong = "G2532"
 Spirit|strong = "G4151" come|strong = "G2597" down|strong = "G2597"
 from|strong = "G1537" heaven|strong = "G3772" like|strong = "G5613"
 a|strong = "G5613" dove|strong = "G4058" and|strong = "G2532"
 rest|strong = "H5117" on|strong = "G1909" him|strong = "G3588".³³
 I|strong = "G1473" myself|strong = "G1473" did|strong = "G2532"
 not|strong = "G3756" know|strong = "G1492" him|strong = "G3588",
 but|strong = "G2532" he|strong = "G2532" who|strong = "G3739"
 sent|strong = "G3992" me|strong = "G1473" to|strong = "G2532" baptize
 with|strong = "G1722" water|strong = "G5204", he|strong = "G2532"
 said|strong = "G3004" to|strong = "G2532" me|strong = "G1473"
 "He|strong = "G2532" on|strong = "G1909" whom|strong = "G3739"
 you|strong = "G3739" see|strong = "G3708" the|strong = "G1722"
 Spirit|strong = "G4151" descending|strong = "G2597", and|strong = "G2532"
 remaining|strong = "G3306" on|strong = "G1909" him|strong = "G3588" –
 he|strong = "G2532" it|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G1510"
 who|strong = "G3739" baptizes with|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"
 Holy|strong = "G4151" Spirit|strong = "G4151"."³⁴ This|strong = "G3778"
 I|strong = "G2532" have|strong = "G2532" seen|strong = "G3708"
 myself|strong = "H0589", and|strong = "G2532" I|strong = "G2532"
 have|strong = "G2532" declared|strong = "G3754" my|strong = "G3708"
 belief|strong = "H1697" that|strong = "G3754" he|strong = "G2532"
 is|strong = "G1510" the|strong = "G2532" Son|strong = "G5207"
 of|strong = "G5207" God|strong = "G2316".’

³⁵The|strong = "G2532" next|strong = "G1887" day|strong = "G1887",
 when|strong = "G2532" John|strong = "G2491" was|strong = "G3588"
 standing|strong = "G2476" with|strong = "G1537" two|strong = "G1417"
 of|strong = "G1537" his|strong = "G2532" disciples|strong = "G3101",³⁶
 he|strong = "G2532" looked|strong = "G3708" at|strong = "G1689"
 Jesus|strong = "G2424" as|strong = "G2532" he|strong = "G2532"
 passed|strong = "G2424" and|strong = "G2532" exclaimed|strong = "G3004",
 "There|strong = "G2532" is|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G2532"
 Lamb|strong = "G3004" of|strong = "G2316" God|strong = "G2316"!"³⁷
 The|strong = "G2532" two|strong = "G1417" disciples|strong = "G3101"
 heard|strong = "H8085" him|strong = "G3588" say|strong = "G2980"
 this|strong = "G3588", and|strong = "G2532" followed|strong = "H0310"
 Jesus|strong = "G2424".³⁸ But|strong = "G1161" Jesus|strong = "G2424"

turned round, and saw them following. 'What are you looking for?' he asked. 'Rabbi,' they answered (or, as we should say, "Teacher", 'where are you staying?')

39 'Come with me, and you will see.' he replied. So they went, and saw where he was staying, and spent that day with him.

It was then that about the fourth afternoon. One of the two who, who heard what John said and followed Jesus, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah!' (a word which means "Christ", or "Consecrated".) Then he brought him to Jesus straight at him, Jesus said, 'You are Simon, son of John; you will

called|strong = "G2564" w* Cephas' (which|strong = "G3588"
 means|strong = "G1510" "Peter|strong = "G4074", " or|strong = "G2532"
 "Rock|strong = "H6697").⁴³ The|strong = "G2532"
 following|strong = "G1887" day|strong = "G1887" Jesus|strong = "G2424"
 decided|strong = "H3289" to|strong = "G1519" leave|strong = "G1831"
 for|strong = "G1519" Galilee|strong = "G1056". He|strong = "G2532"
 found|strong = "G2147" Philip|strong = "G5376", and|strong = "G2532"
 said|strong = "G3004" to|strong = "G1519" him|strong = "G3588", 'w
 Follow|strong = "H0310" w* w me|strong = "G1473" w*.'⁴⁴
 Philip|strong = "G5376" was|strong = "G1510" from|strong = "G2532"
 Bethsaida, the|strong = "G2532" same|strong = "G2532"
 town|strong = "G4172" as|strong = "G1519" Andrew and|strong = "G2532"
 Peter|strong = "G4074".⁴⁵ He|strong = "G2532" found|strong = "G2147"
 Nathanael|strong = "G3482" and|strong = "G2532" said|strong = "G3004"
 to|strong = "G2532" him|strong = "G3588", 'We|strong = "G2532"
 have|strong = "G2532" found|strong = "G2147" him|strong = "G3588"
 of|strong = "G1537" whom|strong = "G3588" Moses|strong = "G3475"
 wrote|strong = "G1125" in|strong = "G1722" the|strong = "G1722"
 Law|strong = "G3551", and|strong = "G2532" of|strong = "G1537"
 whom|strong = "G3588" the|strong = "G1722" prophets|strong = "G4396"
 also|strong = "G2532" wrote|strong = "G1125" - Jesus|strong = "G2424"
 of|strong = "G1537" Nazareth|strong = "G3478", Joseph's|strong = "G2501"
 son|strong = "G5207"!'

46'Can|strong = "G1410" anything|strong = "G3708"
 good|strong = "G3588" come|strong = "G2064" out|strong = "G2532"
 of|strong = "G5207" Nazareth|strong = "G3478"?' asked|strong = "G3004"
 Nathanael|strong = "G3482". 'Come|strong = "G2064" and|strong = "G2532"
 see|strong = "G3708",' replied|strong = "G3004" Philip|strong = "G5376".⁴⁷
 When|strong = "G2532" Jesus|strong = "G2424" saw|strong = "G3708"
 Nathanael|strong = "G3482" coming|strong = "G2064" towards
 him|strong = "G3708", he|strong = "G2532" said|strong = "G3004", 'w
 Here|strong = "G1510" w* w is|strong = "G1510" w* w a|strong = "G2532" w*
 w true|strong = "H0571" w* w Israelite|strong = "G2475" w*, w
 in|strong = "G1722" w* w whom|strong = "G5101" w* w
 there|strong = "G2532" w* w is|strong = "G1510" w* w
 no|strong = "G2532" w* w deceit|strong = "G1388" w*!'

48'How|strong = "G4159" do|strong = "G2532" you|strong = "G4771"
 know|strong = "G1097" me|strong = "G1473"?' asked|strong = "G3004"
 Nathanael|strong = "G3482". 'w Even|strong = "G2532" w* w
 before|strong = "G4253" w* w Philip|strong = "G5376" w* w
 called|strong = "G3004" w* w you|strong = "G4771" w*,'
 replied|strong = "G3004" Jesus|strong = "G2424", 'w
 when|strong = "G2532" w* w you|strong = "G4771" w* w