



Going Deeper into

John 1:1-14 – “Beginning with Jesus”

- 1. The first chapter of John’s gospel reveals that Jesus is God. This truth is foundational to the beliefs of the church, the basis of our salvation, and how we interpret the Bible.**

Review John 1:1-14. What phrases in this text stand out to you?

Was the deity of Jesus (the fact that Jesus is equally God) a teaching that was taught in the churches that you attended when you were growing up?

Religious groups such as the Mormons and the Jehovah Witnesses do not believe that Jesus is God. Do you believe a person who does not ascribe to the deity of Jesus can still be a Christian? Why or why not?

Pray: Dear God, thank you for sending us your son, and for revealing to us that Jesus is God, with us, in the flesh. Amen.

- 2. In John 1:4, the apostle John equates spiritual life found in Jesus with light.**

Read 1 John 1:5-7. What does it mean to walk in the light?

The phrase “walk in the light” implies a habitual practice. What habitual practices do you expect to see in someone who is “walking in the light?”

What areas of your character have you noticed growth in since becoming a Christian?

What areas would you like to see God help you grow more in this year?

Pray: Dear Heavenly Father, you have called me to live and walk in the light of your son, Jesus. Thank you for the changes I have seen in my life as I have followed Jesus, and help me to continue to grow more like him as I spend time with you in your word and with your people. Amen.

3. John 1:6-14 explains that the Son of God became a man and was observed by eyewitnesses such as John the Baptist and the apostles. The testimonies of those who saw Jesus are the backbone of the Christian faith and are also examples for us to follow.

Where and how did you first hear about the gospel?

Most likely, you heard about Christ from the witness of a Christian minister, a Christian layperson, or the testimony of the Christian scriptures. If these were not available to you, what other way would you have heard the gospel message?

What has been your testimony when telling others about the good news of Jesus Christ?

What tools do you have at your disposal when speaking this message to others?

Pray: Dear Lord, you have made the message of Jesus Christ known to me and helped me to understand and believe in him. Guide me into opportunities to share Jesus with people in my life, so that I might pass on the grace I have received. Amen.