

JESUS BEFORE TIME

John 1:1-5 Outline

Introduction: Jesus at Center Stage is a short series that I will begin today. In the sweep of human history, the life, the teaching, the death and the resurrection of Jesus make Him stand out as the most remarkable of any leading figure of history. Powerful political leaders like Julius Caesar, Louis XIV, and Napoleon worked hard to wrap themselves in the grandeur of all the past great civilizations and kings. Yet their lives do not directly impact the lives of men today. **Jesus at Center Stage** will explore some reasons why Jesus is uniquely the most central figure of human history.

John 1:1-4, 10-14, *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men...He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

The Logos introduced - John identifies Jesus as the “Word” or “logos” four times.

The Logos was in the beginning - vs. 1, 2...*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.*

The Logos was with God - vs. 1, and the Word was with God.

The Logos was God - vs. 1, and the Word was God.

Conclusion: What difference does it make that Jesus is “the Word”?

1. **Jesus, the Logos, became flesh and dwelt among us. vs. 14, *And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.***
2. **Jesus, the Logos, is eternal God...*full of grace and truth.***