

## **Κατα Ιωαννην** **According to John**

*Originally the Logos existed. And the Logos existed oriented to God. The Logos was God. [2] He existed originally oriented into God. All that exists came to be through him; separate from him nothing exists. [4] What existed in him was life; and that life is the light of mankind. The Light shines in the darkness, but the darkness cannot master it.*

*A man, named John, came who was sent from God. [7] He came for a witness, that he might testify concerning the light, so that all might believe through him. [8] He never was the light, he simply came that he might testify to the light.*

*The true Light, which enlightens everyone, was appearing in creation. [10] He was in creation, and though made by him it did not recognize him. [11] He came to his own, yet those who were his own did not receive him. [12] But to as many as did receive him, by trusting in his name, he conferred the rights of children of God; [13] being born not from physical descent, nor of the flesh's desires, nor of the will of a husband, but of God.*

*So, The Logos became flesh, and tabernacled in our midst, and we beheld his glory, glory unique to One out of the Father, full of grace and truth.*

*John bore witness concerning him, proclaiming, [15] "This is the One of whom I said, 'He who comes behind me has superseded me, for he existed prior to me.*

*We have all received grace upon grace from his fulness; [17] while the Law was given through Moses, grace and truth are ours through Jesus Christ. [18] No one, at any time, has ever seen God; God uniquely begotten, from the Father's bosom, he has unveiled- unfolded him.*

1. God existed as the Word/Reason/Expression as the original source of all things
2. The orientation of God was to God - Then in his love he spoke creation
3. What is in him is life - that life is light to all life
  - a. Light = truth
  - b. Light = life
  - c. Darkness (the absence of light) can never grasp or control light
4. John, is a witness - his mission is to serve the Light
5. Jesus is the eternal expression of God become flesh
  - a. He does not assume flesh - he is made flesh
  - b. He remains the Eternal - but now replicated in time
6. The Logos is a one of a kind - from the bosom of the Father (God from God)
7. This is the Revealer - the Revelation - the exegesis of God
8. Of his fulness we are reciprocates - GRACE (grace first) AND TRUTH
9. He came to his own - but only those who take him in are the people of God