

# *Jesus, the Great I AM*

(3) The Word is Creator, Light, Life

## *The Word is the God of Creation...John 1:3*

Knowing the Word was God, of the same essence, what further shows Him to be God? 1:3

**Through Him, the Word, I AM, all things were made, came into being.**

Is this truth repeated elsewhere in the Scripture? Col.1:16; Heb.1:2

**Yes! Absolutely every created thing was created by Him, through Him, and for Him.**

Does this include only the visible universe? Col.1:16

**No. Heavens/earth, visible and invisible, thrones, dominions, rulers, authorities; Angels**

And how does this demonstrate that the Word is God? Gen.1:1

**Because 'in the beginning God created'. The God of creation is the Word, I AM.**

## *The Word is the self-existent Life and Light...John 1:4-9*

What was '*in Him*' and how does that separate Him from men? 1:4

**In Him was life! We have life given to us. He has always had life in Himself. Only God...**

What are life and light equated to in Scripture? Ps.119:105; IICor.4:4; Rom.13:12; Prov.4:19

**Light refers to the truth vs lies (darkness). Also to Holiness. Darkness = wickedness**

What does "...did not comprehend it..." mean? 1:5; see 12:35; Acts 4:13 (same word)

**May mean to understand. May mean to overtake or master. Both are true.**

What was the task assigned by God to John the Baptist? 1:6-9 see Heb.1:3

**To announce that the Light was here! Shows our blindness! The True Light was here.**

## *Yet to all who received Him...John 1:10-13*

What is the Scriptural description of all unbelievers? Mt.15:14; IICor.4:3-4; Mt.13:15

**Blind (unable to see Light), blinded by Satan (held in darkness), eyes closed (self).**

When the Light comes into the world, announced by John, what's the reaction? 1:10 see 3:19-20

**The world did not recognize Him! Loved the darkness because their deeds were evil.**

What is the next truth taught by John? 1:11

**He came to His own (Israel) but His own did not receive (grasp, take hold of) Him.**

But not all rejected Him. What was given to those who received Him? 1:12

**He gave the right to become children of God. See Eph.2:18. Salvation is the gift of God.**

How does this birth of God's children happen? 1:13 John 6:36-44

**NOT natural descent, or of our unaided will, or by marriage. God's sovereign election.**

Next: What about the 'only begotten son'? Is Christ inferior to the Father?