

“It’s Personal” Group Study

Discovering Jesus: **Week 1**

Passage: John 1:1-5

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ICEBREAKER:

1. Are you one that loves technology or one that fears it? Are you ready for the computers to start driving your car, or are you gonna be the last person driving your own car?
2. Share one high and one low from your life this past week.



Discover the Way of Jesus

(Every week in these studies, we will ask questions about the scriptures that try to help us Discover the unique Way of Jesus that is found in the text.)

Begin by trying to remember the Sermon Outline from Sunday:

At the center of the universe is the _____, not an _____.

Jesus is:

→ **The one who _____.**

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Since _____ are at the center, _____ is at the core.

3. In your opinion, what truth that John revealed about Jesus might have been most shocking to his original readers? Which is most shocking today?
4. If someone asked to explain the fact that Jesus is both with God AND God, what would you say?
5. Why is it important for us to know that God is a being “in relationship” for all of His existence?



Develop the Heart of Jesus

(This is the part of the study where we work on our own hearts. “How does my character need to grow and change because of this passage?”)

6. On Sunday, Ryan mentioned that light both exposes and illuminates. What are ways you have experienced that? What is a way you want to experience Jesus’ light in new ways?
7. Life and light are available to us through Jesus, what are ways you best experience his light?
8. What implications does it have for our lives that Jesus (not an impersonal force) is holding the universe together and sustaining it?



Deploy for the sake of Others

(This is the part of the study that we ask, “What would God want us to do because of this passage?”)

9. List a few practical ways that you can be light and life in the sphere of influence where God has placed you?