John 1:14-18

1. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
2. (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, “This is the one I spoke about when I said, ‘He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’”)
3. Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given.
4. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.
5. No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

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**I. THE ALMIGHTY CREATOR GOD HUMBLED HIMSELF**

John 1:1, *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and* ***the Word was God****."*

**There are several meanings of “flesh” in the Bible:**

1. **The Flesh Is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
2. **The Flesh Is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
3. **The Flesh Is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**
4. **The Flesh Is A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

John 10:15,17, *"…just as the Father knows me and I know the Father—and I lay down my life for the sheep… The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life—only to take it up again."*

Isaiah 53:2, *"He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him."*

Philippians 2:5-8, *“Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!”*

John 4:9, *"You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?"*

**II. THE ALMIGHTY CREATOR GOD SACRIFICED HIMSELF**

**In the book: “Prediction of Future Ministry”, college students are expressed with the acrostic “PANTS”:**

**P = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**A = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**N = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**T = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**S = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Hebrews 12:2, *"Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."*

Galatians 6:14 [NLT], *"As for me, God forbid that I should boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus. Because of that cross, my interest in this world died long ago, and the world's interest in me is also long dead."*

1 Corinthians 1:18, *"For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God."*

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**III. THE ALMIGHTY CREATOR GOD REVEALED HIS GLORY IN HIS INCARNATION**

V. 14, *"We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."*

V. 15-17, *"This was he of whom I said, `He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me. From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.'"*

**The weakness of the law: it has no \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to make us keep it**

Matthew 19:, "Teacher, what good thing must I do to get eternal life?"

Matthew 19:21, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell your possessions and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

**God’s grace is that God wants to save us, even though we are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and don’t \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be saved**

**CONCLUSION**

V. 18, *"No one has ever seen God, but God the One and Only, who is at the Father's side, has made him known."*

**How do you know whether you know God's grace and truth?**

**First, you will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ yourself**

Galatians 6:14,*"I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."*

**Second, you will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your life to proclaim it**

**ONE WORD:** What is the gospel?

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1. Why did the Almighty Creator God sacrifice himself (Heb 12:2), and what should be your response? (Gal 6:14; 1Co 1:18; 1Co 15:31; Rom 8:17-18)

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