All Out 4 God Ministry – Pastor Irene White

Wednesday Bible Study – 22 February 2017

John Chapter 1

 **Read John 1:1-5.**

1. From John 1:1, give the three phrases about “the Word” that describe Jesus Christ before He “became flesh.” What is the importance of each of these phrases?
2. How do the following passages help you understand what John 1:1-5 teaches about Jesus’ relationship to God, to creation and to spiritual life and light?

Genesis 1:1

Colossians 1:15-17

Hebrews 1:2-3

1. What additional information do you find in Colossians 1:16, and how does this relate to all true human flourishing and to your own fulfillment in life?
2. What do the words “light” and “darkness” mean in John 1:4-5? (See John 3:19-21; 8:12; 12:46; 1 John 1:5-6.) What examples of light and darkness do you see in the world today?

 **John 1:9-13.**

*Note: The phrase “coming into the world” speaks of Jesus coming into the world of humanity at His incarnation, to give light to everyone.*

1. Who were Christ’s “own” who did not receive Him, and how do people today reject Him? (See Deuteronomy 7:6; Luke 19:14; John 19:15; and Romans 3:1-2; 9:4-5.)
2. What does John say a person must do to become a “child of God”? What has this meant for your life? (See 1 John 5:12.).
3. Put each phrase of John 1:13 into your own words. (For help, see John 3:3-8; 6:63; Romans 1:16; 10:17; Ephesians 2:1-10; 1 Peter 1:23.)

“born”

“not of natural descent”

“nor of human decision”

“or a husband’s will”

“born of God”

**Read John 1:6-8, 14-15.**

*Note: These verses mention John the Baptist, not the apostle who wrote this Gospel.*

1. a. What was John the Baptist’s work in life and his aim?

b. What is the main purpose of your life and your personal aim? If John’s aim is not your aim, what needs to change for you to be a witness to Jesus Christ?

1. How does verse 14 present Jesus as the unique Son of God, implying that His divine nature is altogether different from human beings created by Him?

**Read John 1:14-18.**

*Note. Verses 16-18 are probably the Apostle John’s testimony to Jesus Christ.*

10. What does verse 16 mean?

11. Can you share with a way you have experienced Jesus’ grace in your life?

12. Explain the following phrases in John 1:17:

“The law was given through Moses.” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

“Grace came through Jesus Christ.” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

“Truth came through Jesus Christ.” \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

12. What is your response to the intimacy and love that existed between Father and Son long before Jesus was born into this world? (See John 1:18.)

**John 1:19-23**

13. What was John’s testimony? Who did he say he was not and who did he say he was?

14. Who did John say was standing “among them”?

15. Describe a time in your life when Jesus was “hidden” from you.

**John 1: 35-42**

16. What did John call Jesus?

17. What impact did that have on his disciples?

18. The first thing Andrew did after meeting Jesus was to tell his brother. Who’s the first person you told after meeting Jesus?