

# JESUS IS.

A SERIES IN JOHN

**Series: Jesus Is (41)      Title: Jesus Came      Scripture: John 1:1-51**

**2023 Memory Verses:**

**January** “1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.” **John 1:1-5, 14 ESV**

**February:** “For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.” **John 1:16**

**March:** “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.” **John 3:16–18**

**April:** “19 And this is the judgment: the light has come into the world, and people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil. 20 For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. 21 But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.” **John 3:19–21**

**May:** “24 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.” **John 5:24**

**June:** “It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.” **John 6:63**

**September:** “So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, ‘If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.’” **John 8:31–32**

**October:** “I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.” **John 10:9–11**

**November:** “25 Jesus said to her, ‘I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, 26 and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?’” **John 11:25–26**

**December:** “25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.” **John 12:25–26 (ESV)**

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**John 1 Christmas Eve 2023 Jesus CAME**

1. **Jesus came. (John 1:1-18)**
  - a. **Jesus is God. (John 1:1-15, 17-18)**
  - b. **Jesus came as God in the flesh to bring light to our darkness. (vs. 5, 9, 14)**
  - c. **Jesus saves us who believe in His name and become children of God. (v. 12)**
  - d. **Jesus gives the BEST GIFTS - GRACE AND TRUTH! (v. 16)**

**John 1:1-51 (ESV)**

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. 6 There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. 7 He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. 8 He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. 9 The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. 10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. 11 He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. 12 But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. 15 (John bore witness about him, and cried out,

**John the Baptist:** “This was he of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.’ ”)

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 16 For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. 17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father’s side, he has made him known.

**2. We tell people He came and He’s coming again. (John 1:19-28) 1 kid**

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 19 And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him,

**Levites/Priests:** “Who are you?”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 20 He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed,

**John the Baptist:** “I am not the Christ.”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 21 And they asked him,

**Levites/Priests:** “What then? Are you Elijah?”



**Narrator (John the Disciple):** He said,

**John the Baptist:** “I am not.”

**Levites/Priests:** “Are you the Prophet?”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** And he answered,

**John the Baptist:** “No.”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 22 So they said to him,

**Levites/Priests:** “Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 23 He said,

**John the Baptist:** “I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’ as the prophet Isaiah said.”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 24 (Now they had been sent from the Pharisees.) 25 They asked him,

**Levites/Priests:** “Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 26 John answered them,

**John the Baptist:** “I baptize with water, but among you stands one you do not know, 27 even he who comes after me, the strap of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie.”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 28 These things took place in Bethany across the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

### **3. Jesus came to take away the sin of the world. (John 1:29-34)**

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said,

**John the Baptist:** “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! 30 This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ 31 I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.”

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 32 And John bore witness:

**John the Baptist:** "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

**4. Jesus came to invite us to come to Him. (John 1:35-42) 2 kids**

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 35 The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said,

**John the Baptist:** "Behold, the Lamb of God!"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 37 The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. 38 Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them,

**JESUS:** "What are you seeking?"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** And they said to him,

**ANDREW & JOHN THE DISCIPLE:** "Rabbi"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** (which means Teacher),

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** "where are you staying?"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 39 He said to them,

**JESUS:** "Come and you will see."

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. 40 One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon and said to him,

**ANDREW:** "We have found the Messiah"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** (which means Christ). 42 He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said,

**5. Jesus came to invite us to follow Him. (John 1:43-51) 3 kids**

**JESUS:** "You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** (which means Peter). 43 The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him,

**JESUS:** "Follow me."

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 44 Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip found Nathanael and said to him,

**PHILIP:** "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 46 Nathanael said to him,

**NATHANAEL:** "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** Philip said to him,

**PHILIP:** "Come and see."

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him,

**JESUS:** "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 48 Nathanael said to him,

**NATHANAEL:** "How do you know me?"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** Jesus answered him,

**JESUS:** "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you."

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 49 Nathanael answered him,

**NATHANAEL:** "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 50 Jesus answered him,

**JESUS:** "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these."

**Narrator (John the Disciple):** 51 And he said to him,

**JESUS:** “Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.”

- **BECAUSE the Son of God became the Son of Man, then the sons of men CAN become sons of God.**

**HOW? Come & See Jesus. Believe Jesus & trust Jesus. Follow Jesus.**

