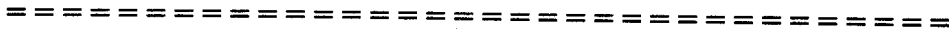


**WEEK 1: JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD**  
**DAY 1: THIS GOSPEL WAS WRITTEN BY JOHN**

1. Today you are beginning to study a very special book. It is the fourth book of the New Testament. You will not study it verse by verse. Instead you will study it by teachings. You will follow one teaching through the book. Then you will follow another teaching.

Have you ever read a book which was not written by someone? Of course not. Every book was written by someone. It is good to know things about the people who write books.

When you read a book, do you like to know who wrote it? \_\_\_\_\_



2. First you will learn about the writer of the gospel of John. You will see what kind of man wrote these big teachings. You will see that the Holy Spirit inspired or breathed into him. This will help you understand the big teachings. Here is what you will learn today:

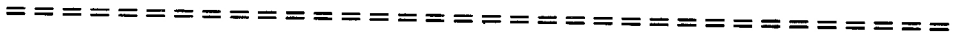
John wrote the gospel of John as the Holy Spirit inspired him.

We know three things about this writer.

- (1) He wrote five New Testament books.
- (2) He was a disciple and friend of Jesus.
- (3) He was an old man when he wrote this gospel.

Take your Bible now and read John 19:31 to 37. This is about the death of Jesus. But we specially want to see verse 35. Did the one who spoke about these things see them happen?

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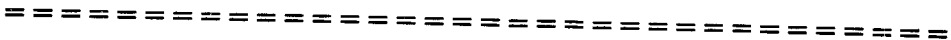
3. The one who spoke about them saw them happen. He is the one who wrote the book of John. When we read a book it is good to know who wrote it. John wrote the gospel of John. We know that the Bible books are not like other books. The Holy Spirit caused the Bible books to be written. We say that He inspired the writers. He breathed into them.

2 Peter 1:21:

For no prophetic message ever came just from the will of man, but men were under the control of the Holy Spirit as they spoke the message that came from God.

Who inspired men to write John and the other books of the Bible? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. The Holy Spirit cause the Bible to be written. He inspired people to write it. We are learning who was used by the Holy Spirit to write the fourth gospel. This person's name is found in the title of the book.

Who was inspired by the Holy Spirit to write the book of John? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. The Holy Spirit inspired John to write this gospel. As we study it, we want to know some things about John. This helps us to understand the book. We can ask questions about John. What kind of work did he do? Was he a disciple of Jesus? Was he a young man or an old man when the gospel of John was written? Did he write other books? Do not try to answer these questions yet. Let us first talk about them.

What Bible book have we seen that John wrote? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. He wrote the book of John. He wrote other Bible books also. The Holy Spirit inspired John to write five books of the Bible. All five of these books are in the New Testament.

Why do you think it is good to know about the other books which John wrote?

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7. Perhaps you wrote that it will help us understand the gospel of John. We have seen that John wrote a group of New Testament books. These are their names:

- The Gospel of John
- The first Letter of John
- The second Letter of John
- The Third Letter of John
- The Revelation

John did not write these books by himself. The Holy Spirit inspired him.

How many New Testament books did John write? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Yes, five books in your Bible were written by John. It is good to know this about John. Now let us see again the things we are learning about John.

- (1) John wrote five New Testament books
- (2) John was a disciple and friend of Jesus.
- (3) He was an old man when he wrote this gospel.

In which part of the Bible do we find the five books John wrote? Are they in the New Testament, or in the Old Testament? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. The writer of this gospel wrote five New Testament books. No one loved Jesus more than John did. He was one of Jesus' twelve disciples. He and Andrew were the first disciples who followed the Lord. We will read this in John chapter 1.

Five times in this book we read of John as the disciple "whom Jesus loved." Of course Jesus loves all His followers. But John seemed to be very near to the heart of Jesus. Perhaps this was because he loved Jesus so much. John was a disciple and friend of Jesus.

Who wrote five of the books in the New Testament? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. John wrote these five books. But before that, he was a fisherman. Let us say that you were a fisherman. You lived beside a large lake. Your father taught you all about fishing. Fishing become your way of living. Then one day Jesus walked by and said, "Follow me." Think what you might do.

This is what happened to John. His father was Zebedee. His brother was James. All three were fishermen. Then Jesus called John. John became a disciple and friend of Jesus.

But what is the first thing we know about John?

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) He was a disciple and friend of Jesus.
- (3) He was an old man when he wrote this gospel.

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11. John wrote five New Testament books. How old was he when he wrote the gospel of John? No one knows for certain. But we are sure that John was not a young man when he wrote it. Matthew, Mark and Luke were all written about Jesus before John wrote about Him. Most people think that John was written about 90 years after the birth of Jesus. This would mean that John was an old man when he wrote about Jesus.

What two things was John to Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

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12. John was a disciple and friend of Jesus.

A Luo proverb says, "If you refuse the teaching of the elders, the world will teach you." Older people can help us. John was an old man of wisdom. He had walked with Jesus. He had eaten with Jesus. He had listened closely to the truths Jesus taught. John had stood with the mother of Jesus and watched Him die. John was one of the first people to know that Jesus had risen. Many years after that, John wrote of Jesus' life.

What is the second thing we know about John?

(1) He wrote five New Testament books.

(2) \_\_\_\_\_

(3) He was an old man when he wrote this gospel.

13. John was a disciple and friend of Jesus. He obeyed Jesus' command to follow Him even though he was a fisherman. He followed Jesus until he was an old man. Then the Holy Spirit inspired him to write the gospel of John.

Other books tell us that John became the pastor of the church in Ephesus. The Apostle Paul started this church. Paul wrote to them in the book of Ephesians. Later John led this church. In the book of Revelation the Holy Spirit wrote to the Ephesians through John. John did all his writing as an old man.

Was John a young man, or an old man, when he wrote the gospel of John?

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14. He was an old man when he wrote this gospel. Now let us look once more at his life. When we think about this man we see that he was a good example for us. Spend some time thinking about each of these:

(1) He wrote five New Testament books.

(2) He was a disciple and friend of Jesus.

(3) He was an old man when he wrote this gospel.

Who wrote the gospel of John as the Holy Spirit inspired him? \_\_\_\_\_

15. John wrote this gospel. In all of his books he talks about Jesus more than anything else. As a disciple and friend, John was always faithful to Jesus. Bad men fought against John, but he followed God all his life.

What is the third thing we know about the writer of John? \_\_\_\_\_

16. John was an old man when he wrote this gospel. It helps us when we know who wrote the books of the Bible. Knowing about the writers helps us understand what they wrote.

Perhaps you have seen that John is a good example for your Christian life. Write some ways in which John is a good example to you. \_\_\_\_\_

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17. Be ready to share your answer in class.

Who wrote the gospel of John as the Holy Spirit inspired him? \_\_\_\_\_

Write three things you know about this writer.

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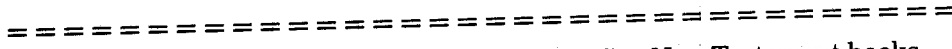
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**WEEK 1: JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD**  
**DAY 2: JOHN WROTE SO WE COULD BELIEVE**

1. Who wrote the gospel of John as the Holy Spirit inspired him? \_\_\_\_\_

Write three things you know about this writer.

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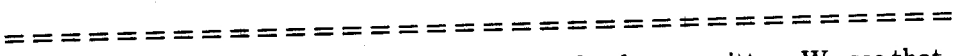


2. The writer of the gospel was John. He wrote five New Testament books. He was a disciple and friend of Jesus. He was an old man when he wrote this gospel.

All good books are written for a purpose. They are written to help people in some way. School books are written to help us learn to read and do numbers. Books on health are written to help us care for our bodies. Today we will learn why the book of John was written.

John 20:31: But these have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through your faith in him you may have life.

In your Bible turn to the end of the book of John. Read John 20:30 and 31. Was the gospel of John written for a purpose? \_\_\_\_\_

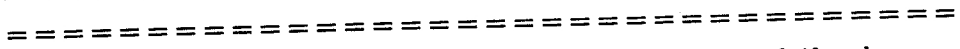


3. The writer of John tells us clearly why this book was written. We see that there are two reasons:

- (1) That you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.
- (2) That through your faith in Him you may have life.

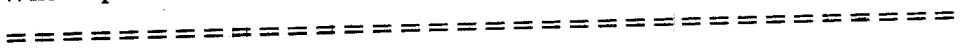
In what verse are these two reasons given? Look in your Bible if you need to.

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4. These reasons are found in John 20:31. It helps us very much if we know why a book was written. We understand why the writer said certain things. We understand why this book is in the Bible.

Who inspired John to write this Bible book? \_\_\_\_\_



5. The Holy Spirit inspired John to write this gospel. John knew why the Holy Spirit wanted this book to be written. He told us these reasons near the end of the book. Read the verse again.

John 20:31:

But these have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through your faith in him you may have life.

From this verse, what two things should people believe about Jesus?

Believe that Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_

Believe that He is \_\_\_\_\_

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6. God wants us to know that Jesus is the Messiah. He also wants us to know that He is the Son of God. The name Messiah means "the anointed one." This means the one whom God has chosen. Jesus is God's Son and God has given Him all power. John, by the Holy Spirit, says that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.

Do you believe this in your own heart? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. When we believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, we receive life. This is spiritual life. It is eternal life. This is what the Holy Spirit wants us to have. To say that Jesus is the Son of God means that God revealed himself in Jesus. We all know that God did not have a wife.

What is the first reason why the book of John was written?

(1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) That through your faith in him you may have life.

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8. The first reason is: That you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God. The second reason is: That through your faith in Him you may have life. In the first chapter of John, he began to talk about believing.

John 1:11-12:

He came to his own country, but his own people did not receive him. Some, however, did receive him and believed in him; so he gave them the right to become God's children.

In whom must we believe in order to have life? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. We must believe in Jesus. The gospel of John says more about believing than any other book. To believe on Jesus is not just to agree that He lived. To believe means to receive Him. See what Jesus said about His reason for coming to the earth.

John 10:10:

I have come in order that you might have life--life in all its fullness.

What does Jesus give to those who believe in Him? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. He gives life. Spiritual life comes only through believing on Jesus Christ. John wanted us to understand this. This is why he wrote his book. We see this also in the book of Acts.

Acts 4:12:

Salvation is to be found through him alone; in all the world there is no one else whom God has given who can save us.

What must we do in order to have life? \_\_\_\_\_

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11. We must believe in Jesus. John 20:31 says that the book of John was written for two reasons. It was written to show us our need to believe in Jesus. He is the Messiah. He is the Son of God. By believing, you and I can have life in Him.

Can a person have life in its fullness outside of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

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12. No, full life can only be received through Jesus. The verse helps us to understand this clearly.

John 20:31:

But these have been written in order that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through your faith in him you may have life

Take time to memorise this verse now. Read it three times. Try to say it without looking at the book. When you know it well, hide the verse. Write it here.

John 20:31: \_\_\_\_\_

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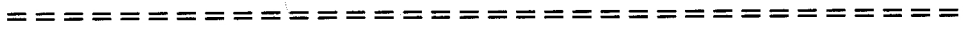
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13. So we see that the book of John was written for very special reasons. It was not written just so we could know more things. It was not written just so we could be surprised at the things Jesus did. It was written so that we could truly believe. It was written so that we could have life.

From what you already know about the Bible what is in it that helps us believe in Jesus?

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14. Be ready to share your answer in class.

For what two reasons was the gospel of John written? Answer by writing John 20:31.

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**WEEK 1: JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD)  
DAY 3: WHAT GOD SAYS ABOUT JESUS**

**John 1:1-18**

1. Today we will begin in John 1. If you can, read the verses at the top of each lesson before you begin it. Today we are studying John 1:1-18. You will read some of the verses again in the lesson.

For what two reasons was the gospel of John written? Answer by writing John 20:31.

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2. Look in your Bible to see if you have written the verse right.

People have different thoughts about who Jesus is. Some believe He was just a good man. Others say He was a great teacher and example. But what does God's word say? This is what we will learn today. In John 1 God says four things about Jesus

- (1) He was in the beginning.
- (2) He is the Word.
- (3) He is God.
- (4) He made all things.

Take your Bible now and read John 1:1 to 5. When we read the Bible, who is speaking to us through the writers?

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3. We believe that God is speaking to us. The Bible is God's word. Jesus is also God's word to us. Here is something which Jesus said about bearing witness.

John 5:37:

And the Father, who sent me, also testifies on my behalf (or for me). You have never heard his voice or seen his face.

Someone who testifies tells what he knows. A person in court may tell about a bus accident. How can he tell about the accident? He can speak because he saw it happen. We say this person testifies or gives witness.

In the verse, who testifies about Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. The Father testifies about Jesus. In His word God has many things to say about Jesus. Today we are learning four of them from John chapter 1. The first one is: He was in the beginning.

John 1:1-2:

Before the world was created, the Word already existed; he was with God, and he was the same as God. From the very beginning the Word was with God.

What was in the beginning with God? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. The Word was there in the beginning. But what is the Word? A little later in the chapter, John explains this.

John 1:14:

The Word became a human being and, full of grace and truth, lived among us. We saw his glory, the glory which he received as the Father's only son.

Who was God's Son who became a human being? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. This was Jesus. The verse says that the Word became a human being. This seems strange when we first read it. Why do we use words? We use them to say things to other people. God wanted to say something to us. He wanted to show us what He is like. He used Jesus to say what He wanted to say. Jesus became a man of earth to show us what God is like.

Who was the Word who was in the beginning with God? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. This Word was Jesus. Jesus did not begin when He came to earth. He lived long before that. He was with God. He was God. These are the things God helped John to write. John wants us to believe and have life through believing.

What is the first thing God says about Jesus in John 1?

(1) \_\_\_\_\_

(2) He is the Word.

(3) He is God.

(4) He made all things.

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8. The first thing God says is: Jesus was in the beginning. He was there when God began to make the world. He is God. Read the verse again.

John 1:1:

Before the world was created, the Word already existed; he was with God, and he was the same as God.

In this verse, what is Jesus called? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. Jesus is called the Word. God spoke to man in many ways. He spoke through the men of God and the prophets. He helped them to write His message. But then He spoke in a very special way. The writer of Hebrews explained this.

Hebrews 1:1:

In the past God spoke to our ancestors many times and in many ways through the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us through his Son.

What is the second thing God says about Jesus in John 1?

- (1) Jesus was in the beginning.
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) He is God.
- (4) He made all things.

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10. Jesus was in the beginning. He is the Word. He is also God. The one God shows Himself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.. This is what God the Father tells us. Read the verse once more.

John 1:1:

Before the world was created, the Word already existed; he was with God, and he was the same as God.

Was Jesus just a prophet? \_\_\_\_\_

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11. Jesus was not a created being like angels and prophets. He is the one through whom God created these things. Jesus is above these things.

John 3:31:

He who comes from above is greater than all. He who is from the earth belongs to the earth and speaks about earthly matters, but he who comes from heaven is above all.

If Jesus is not an angel or a prophet, but is above all, who is He? \_\_\_\_\_

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12. He is God. This is the third thing we read about him in John 1. We have also seen that Jesus helped to create things. Nothing was made without Him. The sun, the mountains, and all the animals were made by Him.

John 1:3:

Through him God made all things; not one thing in all creation was made without him.

From this verse, how many of the things on earth were created by Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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13. All things were created by him. So we see that Jesus is someone very important. He is very special. There is no one on earth who is like Him. If we can understand this we are beginning to understand the gospel of John.

What is the fourth thing God says about Jesus in John 1?

- (1) Jesus was in the beginning.
- (2) He is the Word.
- (3) He is God.
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_

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14. Jesus made all things. What we think of Jesus is very important. We can think of Him as only a good man. But if we do, He cannot be our saviour and Lord. We have God's word to show us who Jesus is.

What are the first three things God says about Jesus in John 1?

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
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- (4) He made all things.

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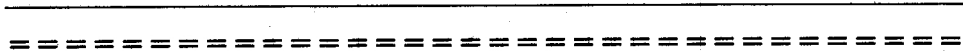
15. Jesus was in the beginning. He is the Word. He is God. Tipis was a man of the Masai tribe in Kenya. He did not hear about Jesus when he was young. Someone came to speak the good news to him after he was grown. He knew some things about God. But it was hard for him to understand about Jesus. Then the preacher read to him from the book of John. This book explained many things about Jesus.

What is the fourth thing God says about Jesus in John 1? \_\_\_\_\_

16. The fourth thing is: He made all things. It may be hard for us to understand how great Jesus is: We need to remind ourselves often of these things.

In your Bible read John 1:18 again. Who makes God known to us? \_\_\_\_\_

Perhaps you learned something new about Jesus in this lesson. From the four things of today's lesson what is the most important part to you?



17. Write four things God says about Jesus in John 1.

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- (3) \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_

**WEEK 1: JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD**  
**DAY 4: JOHN THE BAPTIST, PETER, AND MARTHA KNEW THIS**  
John 1:19-34. John 11:21-27

1. Yesterday we learned that God said some things about Jesus. Today we want to see what people said about Him.

Write four things God says about Jesus in John 1.

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2. Jesus was in the beginning. He is the Word. He is God. He made all things. It is very important to understand who Jesus is. Today we will learn:

After they knew Him for a while,  
John the Baptist, Peter, and Martha  
said that Jesus was the Son of God.

There are many people in the world. All people need Jesus, but not all believe on Him. There are even some who never heard about Him yet.

Who do you think should tell people about Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Believers must tell them about Jesus. Here are three believers who have something important to say about Jesus.



John the Baptist



Peter



Martha

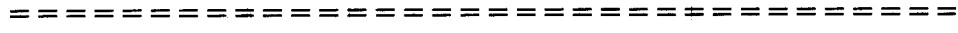
We learn about these people in John's gospel. The first is a preacher. The next is a fisherman. The third is a woman.

Write the name of the preacher. \_\_\_\_\_

4. John the Baptist was God's messenger. He came to prepare the way for Jesus. John the Baptist knew who Jesus was. We read about him in the first chapter of John.

Open your Bible and read John 1:29 to 34. Have you read these verses? \_\_\_\_\_

Write the words which John the Baptist spoke about Jesus in verse 34. \_\_\_\_\_



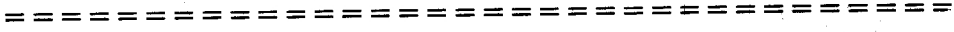
5. He said: He is the Son of God. John was baptising people in the river. He was telling them to repent of their sins. Jesus came to the river one day. When the preacher saw Jesus he said, "This is the Lamb of God. This is the Son of God."

Who testified that Jesus is the Son of God?



Peter

Martha



6. John the Baptist said that Jesus is the Son of God. Other people believed this also. One day when Jesus was teaching, some people turned away. They did not want to receive the truth that Jesus spoke. After this Jesus asked his 12 disciples, "Will you also go away?" One disciple answered for all of them.

John 6:68-69:

Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom would we go? You have the words that give eternal life. And now we believe and know that you are the Holy One who has come from God."

What disciple called Jesus the Holy One of God?



John the Baptist



Peter



Martha

John the Baptist



Martha

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7. Peter said these words. Peter had courage. He was not afraid to speak. He believed Jesus was God and he said so. This pleases the Father very much. God wants us to confess with our mouths who Jesus is. Let us see how Peter answered in the book of Matthew.

Matthew 16:15-16:

He (Jesus) said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

In the book of John, Peter, said Jesus is the Holy One of God. What did Peter call Jesus in the book of Matthew?



8. Peter called Him, Christ, the Son of the Living God. The Son of God is the Holy One. The Bible tells us that without holiness no one shall see the Lord. Man is unholy because of sin. How does man become holy? He becomes holy by accepting God's forgiveness and cleansing. God gives these through His Son, Jesus.

Why is it important to believe that Jesus is the Son of God? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. We will talk about this in class. Perhaps you said that if we believe He is the Son of God, He can save us. Or perhaps you said that if we believe He is the Son of God, We can be holy.

Remember what Peter said to Jesus. He was speaking for all the disciples.

John 6:69:

And we have believed, and have come to know that you are the Holy One of God.

Was Peter the only disciple who believed that Jesus is the Son of God? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. Other disciples believed too. When Jesus lived on earth some people knew that He was Immanuel. This name means: God with us. Some of the people who believed were women.

In John 11 we read how Lazarus was raised from death. Lazarus had two sisters. One of these sisters also said that Jesus is the Son of God. Her name was Martha.

Take your Bible now and read John 11:21 to 27. Read verse 27 again. Besides believing that He was the Messiah or Christ, who did Martha believe Jesus was? \_\_\_\_\_

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11. She believed He was the Son of God. Lazarus, Mary and Martha all loved Jesus. They were His dear friends. Lazarus became sick and died. His sisters were sad because Jesus was not there. Their brother had been dead for four days when Jesus came. But Jesus brought Lazarus back to life.

After Jesus raised Lazarus, do you think Martha was more sure, or less sure, that He was the Son of God? \_\_\_\_\_

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12. If Jesus raised your brother to life, you would be more sure about Him, wouldn't you? Martha believed in Jesus. She told Jesus of her faith in Him. John the Baptist and Peter confessed Jesus with their mouths. Martha did the same. She was not ashamed to speak the truth about who He was.

John 11:27:

"Yes, Lord!" she answered. I do believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who was to come into the world."

What did John the Baptist, Peter, and Martha all say about Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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13. They said: He is the Son of God. Faith in the Lord Jesus Christ brings life.

John 11:25:

I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he die, yet shall he live.

Name the sister of Lazarus who called Jesus the Son of God.



John the Baptist



Peter



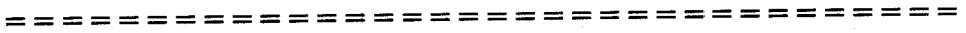
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14. The sister who said this was Martha. John the Baptist was a prophet and preacher. Peter was a disciple who had been a fisherman. Martha was a woman who cared for her home. God wants all kinds of people to believe in Christ. It makes Him happy when we believe that Jesus is the Son of God. He wants us to confess this with our mouths. Jesus came to give life to people like you and me. It is important what we say about Him.

Think of someone who needs to hear the teaching of this lesson. Go to him and tell him what John the Baptist, Peter, and Martha said. Tell him that you also believe this. Be ready to tell the class what that person answered.



15. After they knew him for a while, what did John the Baptist, Peter, and Martha all say about Jesus?  
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**WEEK 1: JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD**  
**DAY 5: THREE OTHER WITNESSES OF JESUS**  
**John: 2:1-11. John 5:30-47**

1. This week our lessons show that Jesus was no common man.

After they knew Him for a while, what did John the Baptist, Peter, and Martha say about Jesus?

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2. They said: He is the Son of God. Today we want to see three more witnesses of Jesus. What is a witness? A witness is someone who speaks about what he knows. He speaks about a person or something which happened. In John 5 there are four witnesses. They help us to know who Jesus is. We learned about one of these witnesses yesterday. Today we will learn more witnesses which speak of Jesus. They are:

- (1) The works of Jesus
- (2) God the Father
- (3) The Old Testament

In your Bible read John 5:31 to 40. Read verse 33 again. In this verse there is someone we learned about yesterday who witnessed about Jesus. Who is he?

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3. His name is John. He is John the Baptist. A true witness can only say what he knows is true.

A man named Mwita went on a long journey. While he was gone one of his cows was stolen. He thought his neighbour, Moroa took the cow. So he took him to court. Mwita said, "I saw this man take my cow." But he was far away on a journey when the cow was stolen.

Would Mwita's words be a true witness in court? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. Be ready to share your answer in class. Jesus said that John the Baptist was a witness for him.

In your Bible read John 5:32 again. Did John give a true testimony or a false testimony about Jesus?

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5. John gave a true testimony. He was a burning and shining lamp. He knew who Jesus was.

John 5:36:

But I have a witness on my behalf (or for me) which is even greater than the witness that John gave: what I do, that is, the deeds (or works) my Father gave me to do, these speak on my behalf and show that the Father Has sent me.

In this verse, what speak for Jesus? \_\_\_\_\_

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6. The works of Jesus speak for him. Someone might refuse what John said. But it is hard to refuse what your own eyes see. The people saw Jesus doing many great works. The first miracle Jesus did was to change water into wine at a wedding.

John 2:11:

Jesus performed this first miracle in Cana in Galilee; there he revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

What did the works of Jesus help people to do? \_\_\_\_\_

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7. The things Jesus did helped people to believe in Him. The Gospel of John does not tell us all the miracles Jesus did. Only seven miracles are written in this book. But each shows something important over which Jesus had power. Because He was the Son of God, Jesus had power to make food. He healed sick people. He walked on water. He opened blind eyes. He raised people from the dead.

If you saw these works of Jesus what would you think about Him? \_\_\_\_\_

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8. Perhaps you wrote something like this: I would think He came from God. Or: I would believe in Jesus. That is what happened to the people in the time of Jesus. The works of Jesus helped people believe. His works testified that He came from God. In John 14 Jesus gave believers a wonderful promise.

John 14:12:

I am telling you the truth: whoever believes in me will do what I do--yes, he will do even greater things, because I am going to the Father.

Believers are expected to do the works of whom? \_\_\_\_\_

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9. Believers should do the works of Jesus. Jesus wants all men to believe on Him. When He was on earth, the things He did gave witness to Him. Through believers, His works still point people to Him.

John 5:36:

... what I do that is, the deeds my Father gave me to do, these speak on my behalf and show that the Father has sent me.

Besides John the Baptist, what is the first witness in John 5, which shows who Jesus is?

- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) God the Father
- (3) The Old Testament

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10. The first witness is: The works of Jesus. The things Jesus did are a greater witness than John the Baptist was. The second witness who testifies about Jesus is God the Father.

In your Bible read John 5:37. Who is the Father who sent Jesus Christ to the earth?

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11. God the Father sent His Son to the earth. Perhaps you remember what happened when Jesus was baptised.

Matthew 3:17:

Then a voice said from heaven, "This is my own dear Son, with whom I am pleased."

1 John 5:9:

We believe man's testimony; but God's testimony is much stronger, and he has given this testimony about his Son.

In Matthew 3:17, from what place did the voice speak? \_\_\_\_\_

Who said he was well pleased with His Son? \_\_\_\_\_

12. The voice spoke from heaven. It was the voice of God the Father.

Mr. and Mrs. Opeyo went to a football game. Their son, Benjamin, played on the team. Benjamin's father was very proud of him. The time came to start playing. All the boys ran into the playing field. Mr. Opeyo stood and shouted, "There is Benjamin! Do you see him?" A father always knows his son. God the Father spoke from heaven. He was pleased with His Son, Jesus. He said, "This is my beloved Son."

Who are the first two witnesses from John 5 in today's lesson?

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- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) The Old Testament

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13. We have seen two witnesses which testify of Jesus. They are: (1) The works of Jesus and (2) God the Father. The last witness found in John 5 is the Old Testament. In the Old Testament there are many writings which tell of the coming Saviour. Perhaps you can remember a verse which says something about the coming of Jesus.

If you can remember a verse in the Old Testament which points to Jesus, write what it says.

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14. Be ready to share your answer in class. Jesus Christ is the main message of the whole Bible. Jesus talked about this to the Jews who did not believe. He said that they did not have God's word in them. If His word was in them they would know who He was. The Old Testament would show them.

John 5:39:

You study the Scriptures, because you think that in them you will find eternal life. And these very Scriptures speak about me!

Where can we look to find testimony of Jesus besides the New Testament? \_\_\_\_\_

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15. We can look in the Old Testament. The prophet Micah told where Jesus would be born.

Micah 5:2:

The Lord says, "Bethlehem Ephrathah, you are one of the smallest towns in Judah, but out of you I will bring a ruler for Israel, whose family line goes back to ancient times.

What is the third witness in John 5 which shows who Jesus is.

- (1) The works of Jesus
- (2) God the Father
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16. The third witness is the Old Testament. In Genesis God promised to bless all the world through Abraham's descendants. In Deuteronomy God promised that some day He would put new hearts in men. In 2 Samuel God promised to send a king who would reign forever on the throne of David. These are only a few times when the Old Testament speaks of the coming of Jesus. Isaiah told how Jesus would suffer for our sins.

Isaiah 53:5:

But because of our sins he was wounded, beaten because of the evil we did. We are healed by the punishment he suffered, made whole by the blows he received.

If someone came today saying he was the only Son of God, what kinds of witnesses would you need in order to believe him?

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17. Be ready to share your answer in class.

Name three witnesses in John 5, besides John the Baptist, which show who Jesus is.

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