

# Optional Activity: In the Beginning Was the Word

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The beginning of the Gospel according to John talks about the Incarnation. The mystery of the Incarnation is that the Word of God became man. Read the passages from the beginning of the Gospel of John. Then answer the questions below in your own words.

1. Who is the Word? Answers may include "Jesus" and the "Son of God."

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God" (John 1:1–2).

2. What does this passage say about the Word?

Answers may include that He existed from the beginning and that He is God

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14).

3. What does this passage mean by "flesh"?

Answers may include "flesh" means "human" or "human body."

4. What does "dwelt among us" tell us about the Word?

Answers may include the Word, or Jesus, became human and He came to earth.

"No one has ever seen God; the only-begotten Son, who is in the [heart] of the Father, he has made him known" (John 1:18).

5. The Word of God is also called the Son. Who does the Son make known to us?

The Son reveals the Father.