

Mysteries in the Gospel of John



Scriptures

- **John 1:1-5**
¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. ⁴In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. ⁵The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.
- **John 1:10**
¹⁰He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him.
- **John 1:14**
¹⁴And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.
- **2 Peter 1:16-18**
¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised tales when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of His majesty. ¹⁷For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, such an utterance as this was made to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is My beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased"- ¹⁸and we ourselves heard this utterance made from heaven when we were with Him on the holy mountain.
- **1 John 1:1-4**
¹What was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the Word of Life- ²and the life was manifested, and we have seen and testify and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested to us- ³what we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. ⁴These things we write, so that our joy may be made complete.

Other Scriptures

- **Matthew 3:16-17**
- **Matthew 20:21-23**
- **Matthew 24:36**
- **Genesis 1:1-2**
- **Genesis 1:26-27**
- **Genesis 2:18-25**
- **John 17:3**
- **Isaiah 55:9**

Main Points

- The mystery of the "Trinity" (The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit)

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- There is no way to explain the “Trinity”!
- How can God be one God, yet exist in three persons...The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
 - We have to ask ourselves one question: Where did God come from?
 - It is outside of the realm of possibility for us to grasp this concept
 - The concept of an everlasting God is impossible to comprehend
- There is harmony of relationship within God Himself
 - Genesis 1:26 demonstrates this concept
 - The Harmony of this relationship is expressed through the persons of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- God is One, but He is multidimensional in who He is!
 - There is no full definition of who God is.
- God is relationship!
- Jesus is God incarnate – The expression of God
 - Jesus is God, adorned in flesh and blood
 - He participates fully with us in our humanity – understanding us fully
- God did not send an agent to die for our sins...but rather, *He* died for our sins!

Discussion Questions

1. How does God use concepts such as the “Trinity” and being eternal to build your faith?

2. Why is it so important to understand that Jesus is God clothed in flesh and blood?

3. God said, “...Let Us create man in Our image...” What is the significance of the words “Us” and “Ours” in this scripture?

4. Why is it impossible to answer the question, “Where did God come from?”