

**SERMON NOTES**  
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**We Believe!**  
John 1:1-5, 11-14, 18

“The disciple that Jesus loved.” (John 21:20)

Power. Faith! (v. 12)

HOW?

John 17:20 I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word.

WHAT?

- **Jesus is God.**

Eternal

Personal (“pros”)

Equal

Warning – doctrine too high, too hard

- Jesus is moral light. (v. 4)

John 3:19 This is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the Light, for their deeds were evil.

Warning: not come to Christ

- Jesus is man. (v. 14)

Warning: ignore the higher call

- Jesus is guide. (v. 18)

“to lead out” exegesis

Warning: resist His leadership

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John 20:30-31 <sup>30</sup>Therefore many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; <sup>3</sup>but these have been written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing you may have life in His name.

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<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup>All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. <sup>4</sup>In Him was life, and the life was the Light of men. <sup>5</sup>The Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

<sup>11</sup>He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. <sup>12</sup>But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, <sup>13</sup>who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. <sup>14</sup>And 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.

<sup>18</sup>No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him.