John In the Beginning

Okay, welcome back and here we go!

Today we embark on a long journey through the Book of John! We will go up to Chapter 17! I am really looking forward to the revelation of Jesus Christ to us as a group, a church, and as individuals. I pray the Holy Spirit gives us all direction as we learn and study together.

It should be noted that the #1 idea throughout this book is the deity of Jesus - Jesus is God.

Genesis 1:1-5, John 1:1-5&14, I John 1:1-5

1) How would you explain to others that Jesus is the Word?

Getting back to our study of the Book of John:

Seven times Jesus makes "I am" statements --- thus proclaiming that He is God.

Seven miracles are recorded --- Jesus is God.

2) Why is it important for us to know and believe that Jesus is God?

John 1:1-18

This is our body of text for today's study. This is our beginning. It is not our usual type of study in that we are doing a lot of history and discovery.

It is important for us to know that from the beginning of time, everyone and everything was made through Jesus, and everyone has always been *saved through Jesus*.

Colossians 1:15-18, I Corinthians 8:6, Romans 11:36

John 1:4-7

3) What is the difference between light and darkness?

John bore witness of this light and in essence we now also bear witness to the light.

4) How does your life bear witness to the light of Jesus?

John 1:9-11

Obviously, this is about the Jewish people, but it could also pertain to all who reject Him.

John 1:12-18

Law came through Moses.

Grace came through Jesus.

5) What is grace?

John 20:30-31

John states the purpose of this book.

I hope through the next four months, we all draw closer to Jesus.

Next week:

Jesus and the Holy Spirit --- John 1:29-34