

FOCUS is all about getting to know God through Jesus, as we learn from the Bible. The Bible is like a library, with many different “books” written by different people over many years (approx. 1500BC - 100AD). It tells one big story about God, the world, and us.

This semester in FOCUS we will be reading the Gospel according to John.

A Gospel basically means Good News. It is the good news of Jesus Christ and what he has done through his life. The author, John, was a friend and eyewitness of Jesus.

Read John 1:1-18.

Are there any questions that you have from the passage? List them down.

The Gospel of John contains many deep symbols and metaphors that describe the identity of Jesus. The first chapter is like an introduction to the rest of the book. This opening section describes “the Word” and “the light”, who is actually a person.

1. What does it say?

V1-4 reminds us of the creation of the whole world.

From the passage, who was there from the beginning?

How is the Word related to God?

How is the Word described in :

- v3

- v4-5

V10-13 refers to the Word.

What is the relationship between the Word and the world?

- v10-11

- v12-13

What happened to the Word? What did the Word reveal?

- v14

- v18

2. What does it mean?

So... Who is the Word?

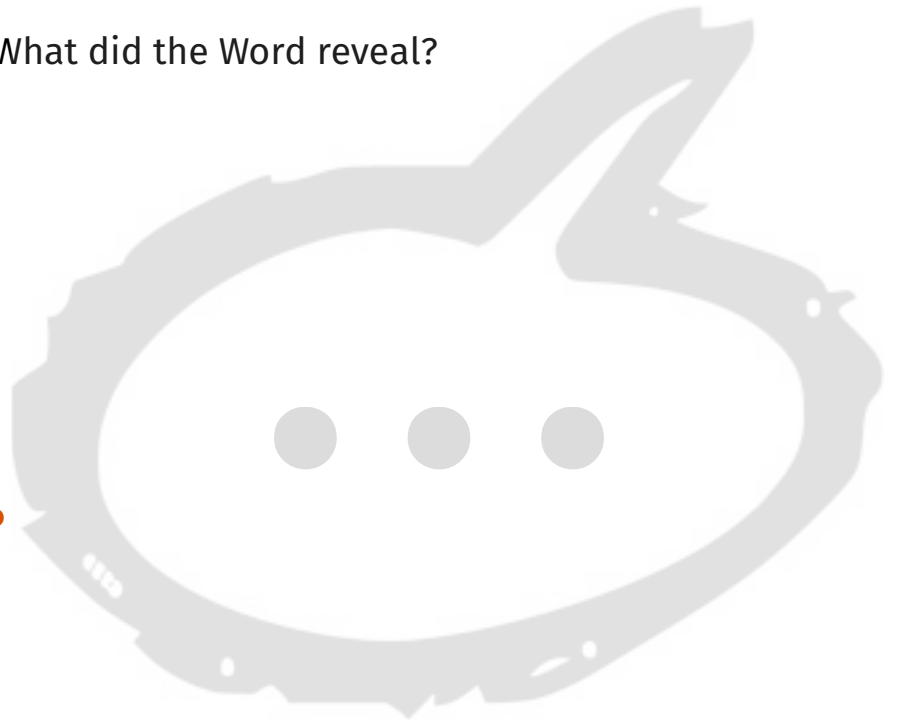
How does God show himself to us through Jesus?

What is the real reason for God coming into the world as a human being?
(See v12-13)

3. How will you respond?

What have you learned about Jesus Christ today?

What questions do you have?



In the following weeks we will be looking at Jesus Christ and his identity. Jesus was a real man in history 2000 years ago, and he made very bold claims about Himself and his relationship with God His Father. He says He is God who has come into the world.

If this is true then this is very important for us, because verse 12 -13 says that whoever believes in his name will become children of God. The next 5 sessions we will look at the following sayings of Jesus from the Gospel of John:

“I am the light of the world”

“I am the bread of life”

“I am the good shepherd”

“I am the resurrection and the life”

“I am the way”

Hope to see you next Friday!

Coming up at FOCUS...

Saturday 5 March 12:30pm BBQ & games at Dennis St Reserve

Wednesday 9 March 6pm Training (@56 Stockdale Ave Clayton / online)

Friday 11 March **6pm FOCUS main meeting & Bible study** (@Regen)

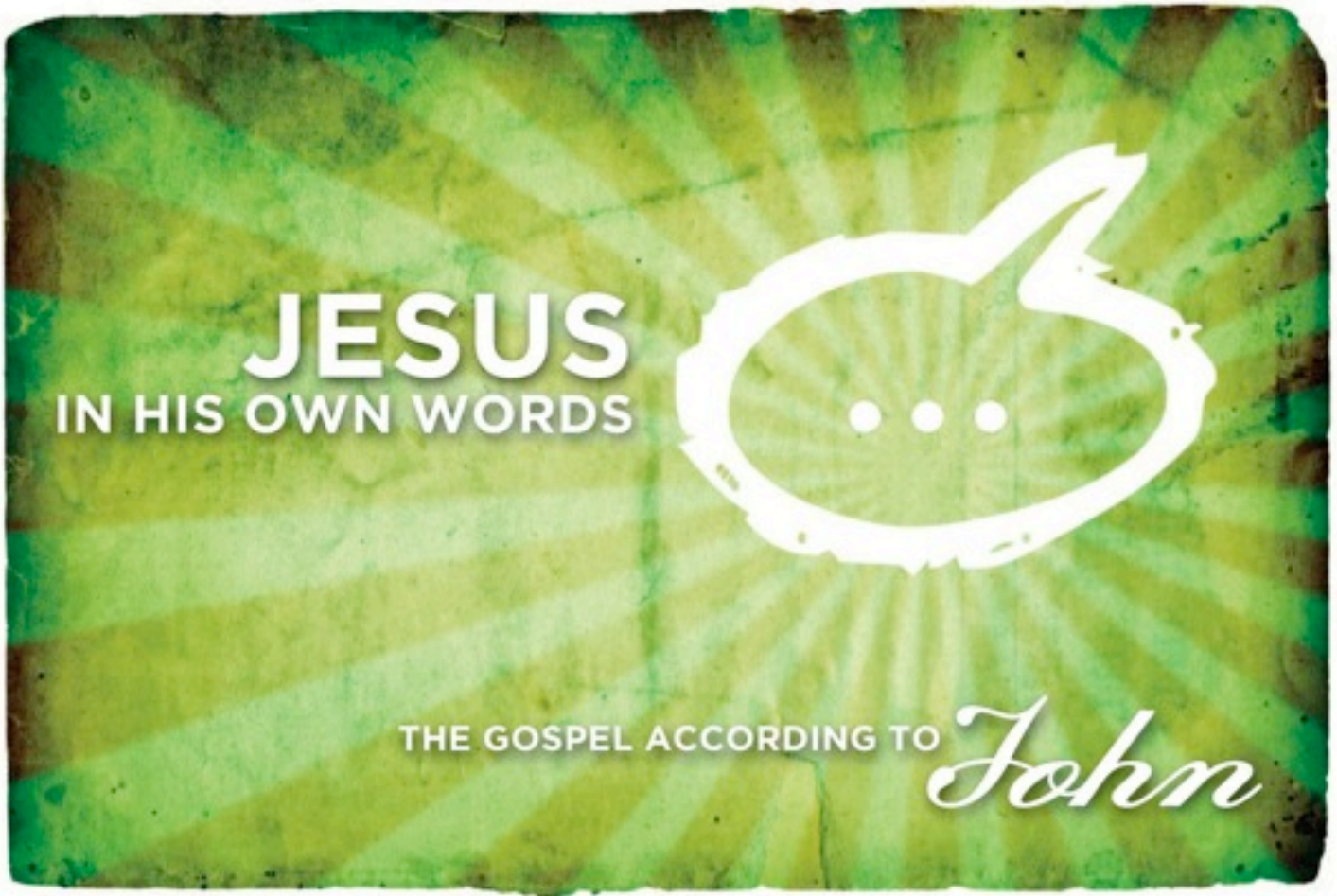
18-20 March Getaway at Phillip Island



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How can we know God?

Many people believe in God, but we cannot see him.
Different people have different ideas about what God is like.

Discuss: If you wanted God to show himself to you, how would you want him to do it?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Do a miracle for you | <input type="checkbox"/> Do what you asked Him to do |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Speak to you in dream | <input type="checkbox"/> Other? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appear to you in a vision | |

If it happened, how would you convince your friends that God showed himself to you? What proof would you give?