



# **JOHN 20:30-31**

**<sup>30</sup> NOW JESUS DID MANY OTHER SIGNS IN THE PRESENCE OF THE DISCIPLES, WHICH ARE NOT WRITTEN IN THIS BOOK; <sup>31</sup> BUT THESE ARE WRITTEN SO THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF GOD, AND THAT BY BELIEVING YOU MAY HAVE LIFE IN HIS NAME.**

# JOHN 1:1-18

**1 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 WERE MADE THROUGH HIM, AND WITHOUT HIM WAS NOT ANY THING MADE THAT WAS MADE. <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 HAS NOT OVERCOME IT. <sup>6</sup> THERE WAS A MAN SENT FROM GOD, WHOSE NAME WAS JOHN.**

# JOHN 1:1-18

**<sup>7</sup> HE CAME AS A WITNESS, TO BEAR WITNESS ABOUT THE LIGHT, THAT ALL MIGHT BELIEVE THROUGH HIM. <sup>8</sup> HE WAS NOT THE LIGHT, BUT CAME TO BEAR WITNESS ABOUT THE LIGHT.**

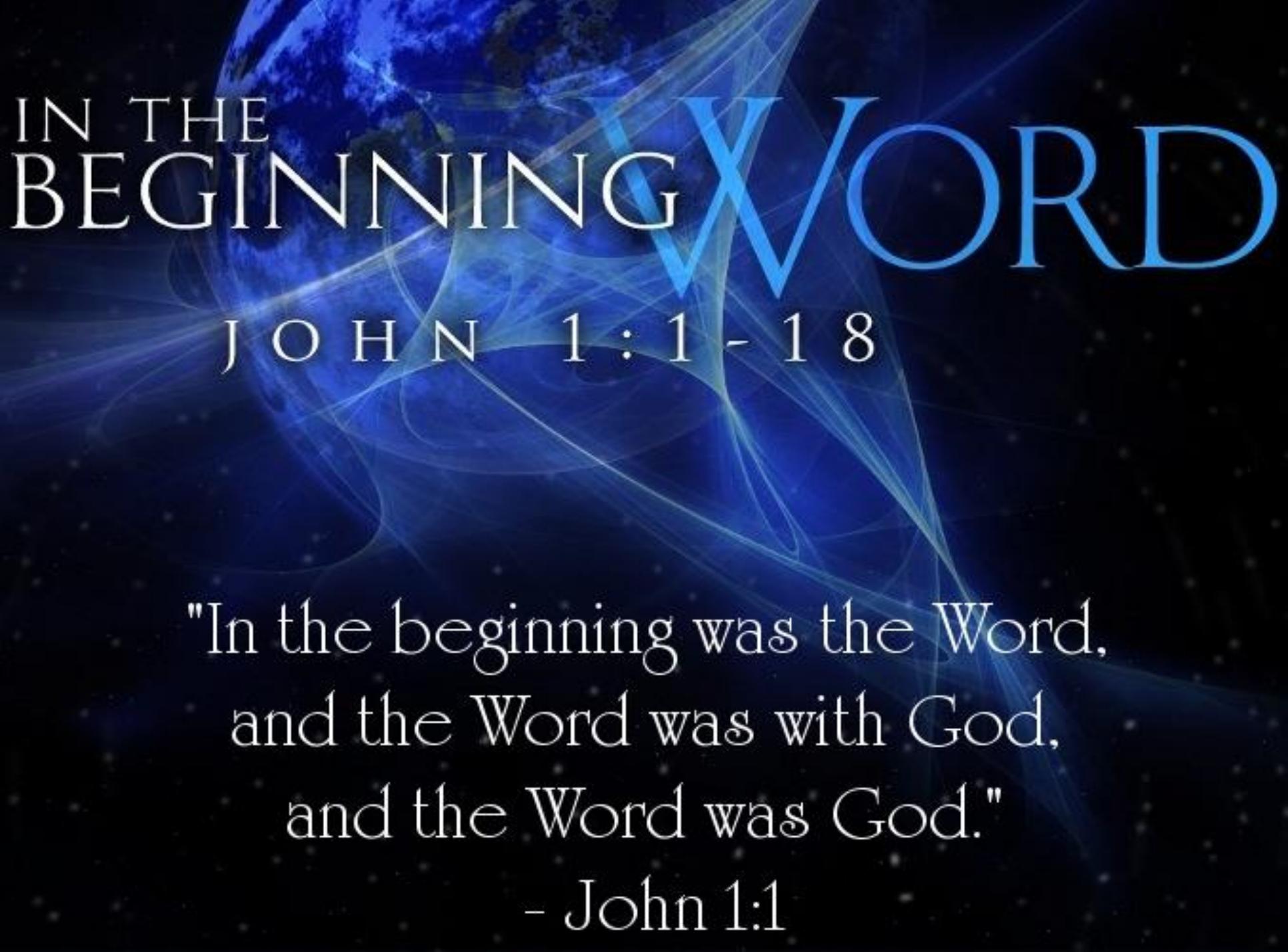
**<sup>9</sup> THE TRUE LIGHT, WHICH GIVES LIGHT TO EVERYONE, WAS COMING INTO THE WORLD. <sup>10</sup> HE WAS IN THE WORLD, AND THE WORLD WAS MADE THROUGH HIM, YET THE WORLD DID NOT KNOW HIM.**

# JOHN 1:1-18

**<sup>11</sup> HE CAME TO HIS OWN, AND HIS OWN PEOPLE DID NOT RECEIVE HIM. <sup>12</sup> BUT TO ALL WHO DID RECEIVE HIM, WHO BELIEVED IN HIS NAME, HE GAVE THE RIGHT TO BECOME CHILDREN OF GOD, <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 HAVE SEEN HIS GLORY, GLORY AS OF THE ONLY SON FROM THE FATHER, FULL OF GRACE AND TRUTH.**

# JOHN 1:1-18

**<sup>15</sup> (JOHN BORE WITNESS ABOUT HIM, AND CRIED OUT, "THIS WAS HE OF WHOM I SAID, 'HE WHO COMES AFTER ME RANKS BEFORE ME, BECAUSE HE WAS BEFORE ME.'") <sup>16</sup> FOR FROM HIS FULLNESS WE HAVE ALL RECEIVED, GRACE UPON GRACE. <sup>17</sup> FOR THE LAW WAS GIVEN THROUGH MOSES; GRACE AND TRUTH CAME THROUGH JESUS CHRIST. <sup>18</sup> NO ONE HAS EVER SEEN GOD; THE ONLY GOD, WHO IS AT THE FATHER'S SIDE, HE HAS MADE HIM KNOWN.**



IN THE  
BEGINNING WORD

JOHN 1:1-18

"In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God."

- John 1:1



# FAMILY





# **MATTHEW 3:1-12**

**1 IN THOSE DAYS JOHN THE BAPTIST CAME PREACHING IN THE WILDERNESS OF JUDEA, <sup>2</sup> “REPENT, FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND.” <sup>3</sup> FOR THIS IS HE WHO WAS SPOKEN OF BY THE PROPHET ISAIAH WHEN HE SAID, “THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS: ‘PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD; MAKE HIS PATHS STRAIGHT.’” <sup>4</sup> NOW JOHN WORE A GARMENT OF CAMEL'S HAIR AND A LEATHER BELT AROUND HIS WAIST, AND HIS FOOD WAS LOCUSTS AND WILD HONEY.**

# **MATTHEW 3:1-12**

**<sup>5</sup> THEN JERUSALEM AND ALL JUDEA AND ALL THE REGION ABOUT THE JORDAN WERE GOING OUT TO HIM, <sup>6</sup> AND THEY WERE BAPTIZED BY HIM IN THE RIVER JORDAN, CONFESSING THEIR SINS. <sup>7</sup> BUT WHEN HE SAW MANY OF THE PHARISEES AND SADDUCEES COMING TO HIS BAPTISM, HE SAID TO THEM, “YOU BROOD OF VIPERS! WHO WARNED YOU TO FLEE FROM THE WRATH TO COME? <sup>8</sup> BEAR FRUIT IN KEEPING WITH REPENTANCE.**

# **MATTHEW 3:1-12**

**<sup>9</sup>AND DO NOT PRESUME TO SAY TO YOURSELVES, 'WE HAVE ABRAHAM AS OUR FATHER,' FOR I TELL YOU, GOD IS ABLE FROM THESE STONES TO RAISE UP CHILDREN FOR ABRAHAM. <sup>10</sup>EVEN NOW THE AXE IS LAID TO THE ROOT OF THE TREES. EVERY TREE THEREFORE THAT DOES NOT BEAR GOOD FRUIT IS CUT DOWN AND THROWN INTO THE FIRE.**

# **MATTHEW 3:1-12**

**<sup>11</sup> “I BAPTIZE YOU WITH WATER FOR REPENTANCE, BUT HE WHO IS COMING AFTER ME IS MIGHTIER THAN I, WHOSE SANDALS I AM NOT WORTHY TO CARRY. HE WILL BAPTIZE YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND FIRE. <sup>12</sup> HIS WINNOWING FORK IS IN HIS HAND, AND HE WILL CLEAR HIS THRESHING FLOOR AND GATHER HIS WHEAT INTO THE BARN, BUT THE CHAFF HE WILL BURN WITH UNQUENCHABLE FIRE.”**



**REPENT**

# Bearing Fruit



# **LUKE 3:10-14**

**<sup>10</sup> AND THE CROWDS ASKED HIM, “WHAT THEN SHALL WE DO?” <sup>11</sup> AND HE ANSWERED THEM, “WHOEVER HAS TWO TUNICS IS TO SHARE WITH HIM WHO HAS NONE, AND WHOEVER HAS FOOD IS TO DO LIKEWISE.” <sup>12</sup> TAX COLLECTORS ALSO CAME TO BE BAPTIZED AND SAID TO HIM, “TEACHER, WHAT SHALL WE DO?” <sup>13</sup> AND HE SAID TO THEM, “COLLECT NO MORE THAN YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO DO.” <sup>14</sup> SOLDIERS ALSO ASKED HIM, “AND WE, WHAT SHALL WE DO?” AND HE SAID TO THEM, “DO NOT EXTORT MONEY FROM ANYONE BY THREATS OR BY FALSE ACCUSATION, AND BE CONTENT WITH YOUR WAGES.”**

# JOHN 1:19-27

**<sup>19</sup> AND THIS IS THE TESTIMONY OF JOHN, WHEN THE JEWS SENT PRIESTS AND LEVITES FROM JERUSALEM TO ASK HIM, “WHO ARE YOU?” <sup>20</sup> HE CONFESSED, AND DID NOT DENY, BUT CONFESSED, “I AM NOT THE CHRIST.” <sup>21</sup> AND THEY ASKED HIM, “WHAT THEN? ARE YOU ELIJAH?” HE SAID, “I AM NOT.” “ARE YOU THE PROPHET?” AND HE ANSWERED, “NO.” <sup>22</sup> SO THEY SAID TO HIM, “WHO ARE YOU? WE NEED TO GIVE AN ANSWER TO THOSE WHO SENT US. WHAT DO YOU SAY ABOUT YOURSELF?”**

# JOHN 1:19-27

**<sup>23</sup> HE SAID, "I AM THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING OUT IN THE WILDERNESS, 'MAKE STRAIGHT THE WAY OF THE LORD,' AS THE PROPHET ISAIAH SAID." <sup>24</sup> (NOW THEY HAD BEEN SENT FROM THE PHARISEES.) <sup>25</sup> THEY ASKED HIM, "THEN WHY ARE YOU BAPTIZING, IF YOU ARE NEITHER THE CHRIST, NOR ELIJAH, NOR THE PROPHET?" <sup>26</sup> JOHN ANSWERED THEM, "I BAPTIZE WITH WATER, BUT AMONG YOU STANDS ONE YOU DO NOT KNOW, <sup>27</sup> EVEN HE WHO COMES AFTER ME, THE STRAP OF WHOSE SANDAL I AM NOT WORTHY TO UNTIE." <sup>28</sup> THESE THINGS TOOK PLACE IN BETHANY ACROSS THE JORDAN, WHERE JOHN WAS BAPTIZING.**

# **MATTHEW 3:13-17**

**<sup>13</sup> THEN JESUS CAME FROM GALILEE TO THE JORDAN TO JOHN, TO BE BAPTIZED BY HIM. <sup>14</sup> JOHN WOULD HAVE PREVENTED HIM, SAYING, "I NEED TO BE BAPTIZED BY YOU, AND DO YOU COME TO ME?" <sup>15</sup> BUT JESUS ANSWERED HIM, "LET IT BE SO NOW, FOR THUS IT IS FITTING FOR US TO FULFILL ALL RIGHTEOUSNESS." THEN HE CONSENTED. <sup>16</sup> AND WHEN JESUS WAS BAPTIZED, IMMEDIATELY HE WENT UP FROM THE WATER, AND BEHOLD, THE HEAVENS WERE OPENED TO HIM, AND HE SAW THE SPIRIT OF GOD DESCENDING LIKE A DOVE AND COMING TO REST ON HIM; <sup>17</sup> AND BEHOLD, A VOICE FROM HEAVEN SAID, "THIS IS MY BELOVED SON, WITH WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED."**

# JOHN 3:25-30

**<sup>25</sup> NOW A DISCUSSION AROSE BETWEEN SOME OF JOHN'S DISCIPLES AND A JEW OVER PURIFICATION. <sup>26</sup> AND THEY CAME TO JOHN AND SAID TO HIM, "RABBI, HE WHO WAS WITH YOU ACROSS THE JORDAN, TO WHOM YOU BORE WITNESS—LOOK, HE IS BAPTIZING, AND ALL ARE GOING TO HIM." <sup>27</sup> JOHN ANSWERED, "A PERSON CANNOT RECEIVE EVEN ONE THING UNLESS IT IS GIVEN HIM FROM HEAVEN.**

# JOHN 3:25-30

**<sup>28</sup> YOU YOURSELVES BEAR ME WITNESS, THAT I SAID, 'I AM NOT THE CHRIST, BUT I HAVE BEEN SENT BEFORE HIM.' <sup>29</sup> THE ONE WHO HAS THE BRIDE IS THE BRIDEGROOM. THE FRIEND OF THE BRIDEGROOM, WHO STANDS AND HEARS HIM, REJOICES GREATLY AT THE BRIDEGROOM'S VOICE. THEREFORE THIS JOY OF MINE IS NOW COMPLETE. <sup>30</sup> HE MUST INCREASE, BUT I MUST DECREASE."**

# **MARK 6:17-27**

**<sup>17</sup> FOR IT WAS HEROD WHO HAD SENT AND SEIZED JOHN AND BOUND HIM IN PRISON FOR THE SAKE OF HERODIAS, HIS BROTHER PHILIP'S WIFE, BECAUSE HE HAD MARRIED HER. <sup>18</sup> FOR JOHN HAD BEEN SAYING TO HEROD, "IT IS NOT LAWFUL FOR YOU TO HAVE YOUR BROTHER'S WIFE." <sup>19</sup> AND HERODIAS HAD A GRUDGE AGAINST HIM AND WANTED TO PUT HIM TO DEATH. BUT SHE COULD NOT,**

# MARK 6:17-27

**<sup>20</sup> FOR HEROD FEARED JOHN, KNOWING THAT HE WAS A RIGHTEOUS AND HOLY MAN, AND HE KEPT HIM SAFE. WHEN HE HEARD HIM, HE WAS GREATLY PERPLEXED, AND YET HE HEARD HIM GLADLY. <sup>21</sup> BUT AN OPPORTUNITY CAME WHEN HEROD ON HIS BIRTHDAY GAVE A BANQUET FOR HIS NOBLES AND MILITARY COMMANDERS AND THE LEADING MEN OF GALILEE. <sup>22</sup> FOR WHEN HERODIAS'S DAUGHTER CAME IN AND DANCED, SHE PLEASED HEROD AND HIS GUESTS. AND THE KING SAID TO THE GIRL, "ASK ME FOR WHATEVER YOU WISH, AND I WILL GIVE IT TO YOU."**

# MARK 6:17-27

<sup>23</sup> AND HE VOWED TO HER, “WHATEVER YOU ASK ME, I WILL GIVE YOU, UP TO HALF OF MY KINGDOM.” <sup>24</sup> AND SHE WENT OUT AND SAID TO HER MOTHER, “FOR WHAT SHOULD I ASK?” AND SHE SAID, “THE HEAD OF JOHN THE BAPTIST.” <sup>25</sup> AND SHE CAME IN IMMEDIATELY WITH HASTE TO THE KING AND ASKED, SAYING, “I WANT YOU TO GIVE ME AT ONCE THE HEAD OF JOHN THE BAPTIST ON A PLATTER.”

# **MARK 6:17-27**

**<sup>26</sup> AND THE KING WAS EXCEEDINGLY SORRY, BUT BECAUSE OF HIS OATHS AND HIS GUESTS HE DID NOT WANT TO BREAK HIS WORD TO HER. <sup>27</sup> AND IMMEDIATELY THE KING SENT AN EXECUTIONER WITH ORDERS TO BRING JOHN'S HEAD. HE WENT AND BEHEADED HIM IN THE PRISON**



# **MATTHEW**

## **11:11**

**11 TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, AMONG THOSE BORN OF WOMEN THERE HAS ARISEN NO ONE GREATER THAN JOHN THE BAPTIST. YET THE ONE WHO IS LEAST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS GREATER THAN HE.**