

Fair Weather

- "A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity." Proverbs 17:17

In adversity, where is God?

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God Deeply With Us John 1:1-18

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John 1:1-5

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

Word = Jesus: the greatest being
➤ **God, creator of everything, Light**

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John 1:6-8

⁶ There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

John the Baptist

➤ just a human pointing other humans to God

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John 1:9-13

⁹ The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹² Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— ¹³ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

Jesus gives sonship of God to those who believe

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John 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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John 1:15-18

¹⁵ (John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, "This is the one I spoke about when I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'") ¹⁶ Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. ¹⁷ For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

**Jesus is greater than all humans
He brings the glory of God to us**

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The Word = the Son of God → Jesus

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John 1:14

The Word became flesh

Physical → a human being

- Humility
- Weakness and limitations
- But NOT sin

full of grace and truth.

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John 1:14

The Word **became** flesh

Not just: "put on flesh"

The Creator BECAME a part of His creation

who came from the Father,
full of grace and truth.

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John 1:14

The Word became flesh **God's glory is truly seen**
and made his dwelling among us. **But not yet fully seen**

We have seen his glory,

Then Moses said, "Now **show me your glory.**"

Then the Lord said, "...When my glory passes by,
I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you
with my hand until I have passed by. Then I will
remove my hand and you will see my back; **but**
my face must not be seen." Ex. 33:18, 21-23

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Jesus' death: the
fullest possible
expression
of grace and truth

full of grace and truth.

And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming,
"The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and
gracious God, slow to anger, **abounding in love
and faithfulness...**" Exodus 34:6

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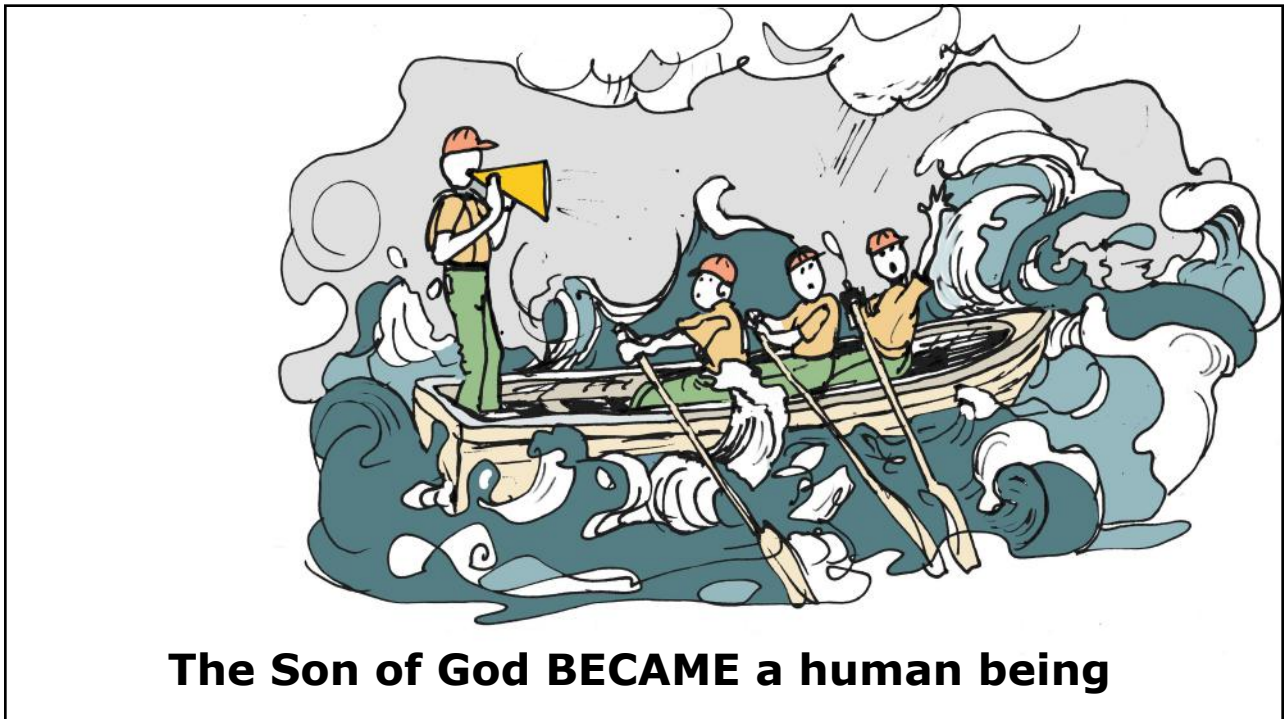
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Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and **we will come** to them and **make our home with them.**"

John 14:23

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"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; **no one will snatch them out of my hand.** My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; **no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand.** I and the Father are one."

John 10:27-30

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God makes His home in us

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The Big Idea

**Our hope is
the irreversible identification of God
with humanity
and with anyone who trusts in Him**

God is forever in the boat with us

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Application

Do not be afraid, no matter the circumstances

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In a great storm, the disciples were afraid..."Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?"

He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?"

They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!" Mark 4:38-41

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Application

Boldly obey

- Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:18-20

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Application

Be born of God

- "Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God." John 1:12

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Mark 4:40

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