

1. How do people sometimes misunderstand Jesus' identity? Why do you think that is?
2. V14 and v18 reference Jesus as "the only Son" and "the only God" successively. Why does John use this terminology to describe Jesus?
3. Read John 1:14. What is the significance of the Word becoming flesh and dwelling among us? How would John's Jewish readers have heard the concept of Jesus "dwelling" among his people?
4. How did the revelation of Jesus' glory demonstrate and usurp the original glory of God represented in the tabernacle?
5. Read John 1:15. How does the response of John the Baptist to Jesus indicate how he understood Jesus' glory?
6. Read John 1:16–17. What does John mean by the phrase "grace upon grace"? What does that have to do with the Law from the Old Testament? How does Jesus represent in fuller terms the concepts articulated in Exodus 34:5–7?
7. Read John 1:18. How does Jesus "exegete" the Father? What does that mean? Why is it essential to our understanding of Christianity?
8. Take a few moments to reflect on the attributes of Jesus represented in John 1:1–18. Write them down. Then, speak them back to Jesus as an act of worship in prayer. Finally, write down two things that are different for you because of who Jesus is. Then, invite God to help you live according to those things.