

## THE NAME

John 1:1-3

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1. *1:1a* God the Son became Jesus the man; He is not a created individual (Revelation 3:14).
2. *1:1a* John was referring to the beginning of the universe, as with Genesis 1:1; he was speaking not of the first thing created, but of the origin of the created things.
3. *1:1a* If we accept the reality that time began with the start of the universe, whatever was before that is eternal.
4. *1:1a* The Bible plainly declares that there has never been a point when the God-head did not exist (Exodus 3:14; Psalm 90:2).
5. *1:1a* God creates by His Word.
6. *1:1a* The ancient Hebrew people understood that God's Word was the agent through which He accomplished His purposes, and it drove them to memorize and to study and to commit their lives to understanding the Scriptures.
7. *1:1a* God's Word is active and alive.
8. *1:1b* From all eternity God the Son was with God the Father in deep, intimate fellowship (John 17:5).
9. *1:1c* The "Word" is not just a Greek understanding of a force, nor is it just a Hebrew understanding of God's actions. The Word is not removed from God. The Word is God.
10. *1:3* Jesus will one day restore not only believers but the material world also (Romans 8:20).
11. *1:1-3* Four things we learn about Jesus:
  - Time of His Existence—in the beginning
  - Essence of His Identity—the word was God
  - Relationship to God—the word was with God
  - Relationship to the World—all things were made through him

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