

Resurrection Author LORD
I AM Christ
bread of life
Beginning and the End
Good Shepherd SAVIOR
Messiah

SON OF
the beloved man
OUR Light
HOPE cornerstone
Teacher Life
King of the Jews

RIGHTEOUS ONE Friend TRUTH
Everlasting Father Great
FIRST AND Physician
LAST
faithful and true
Alpha and witness
Omega JESUS
high priest
Friend
Holy One
master

Son of the Most High
Bright & MORNING STAR
counselor Author of
LOVE Salvation
true vine
Heir Shield & Potter
of all Buckler
ROCK
Righteousness Alpha
of Judah lamb without blemish
Living Water
Savior wonderful

in His Name

John 1:1-18 NIV

The Prologue

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was with God in the beginning. ³Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ⁵The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

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.

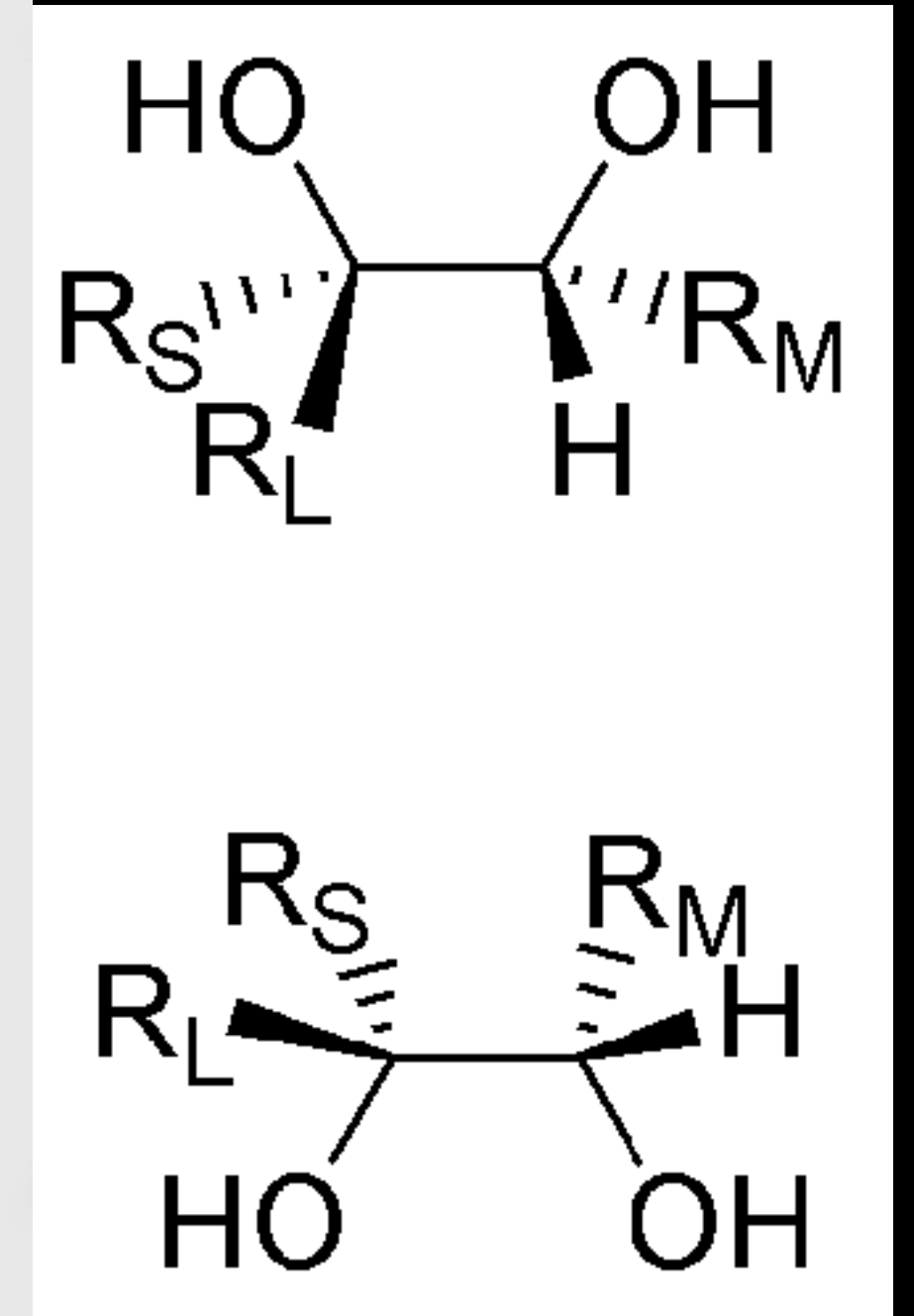
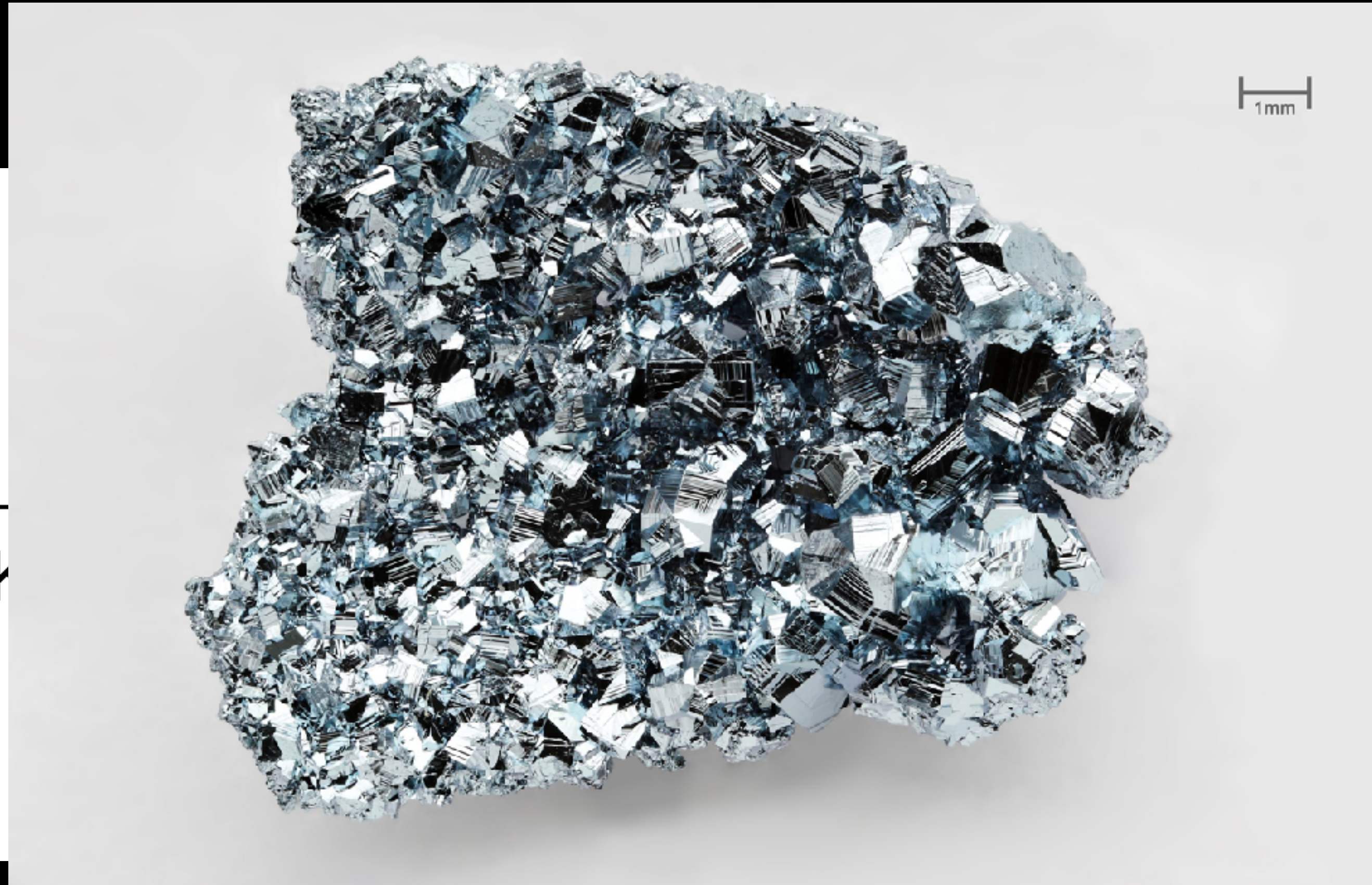
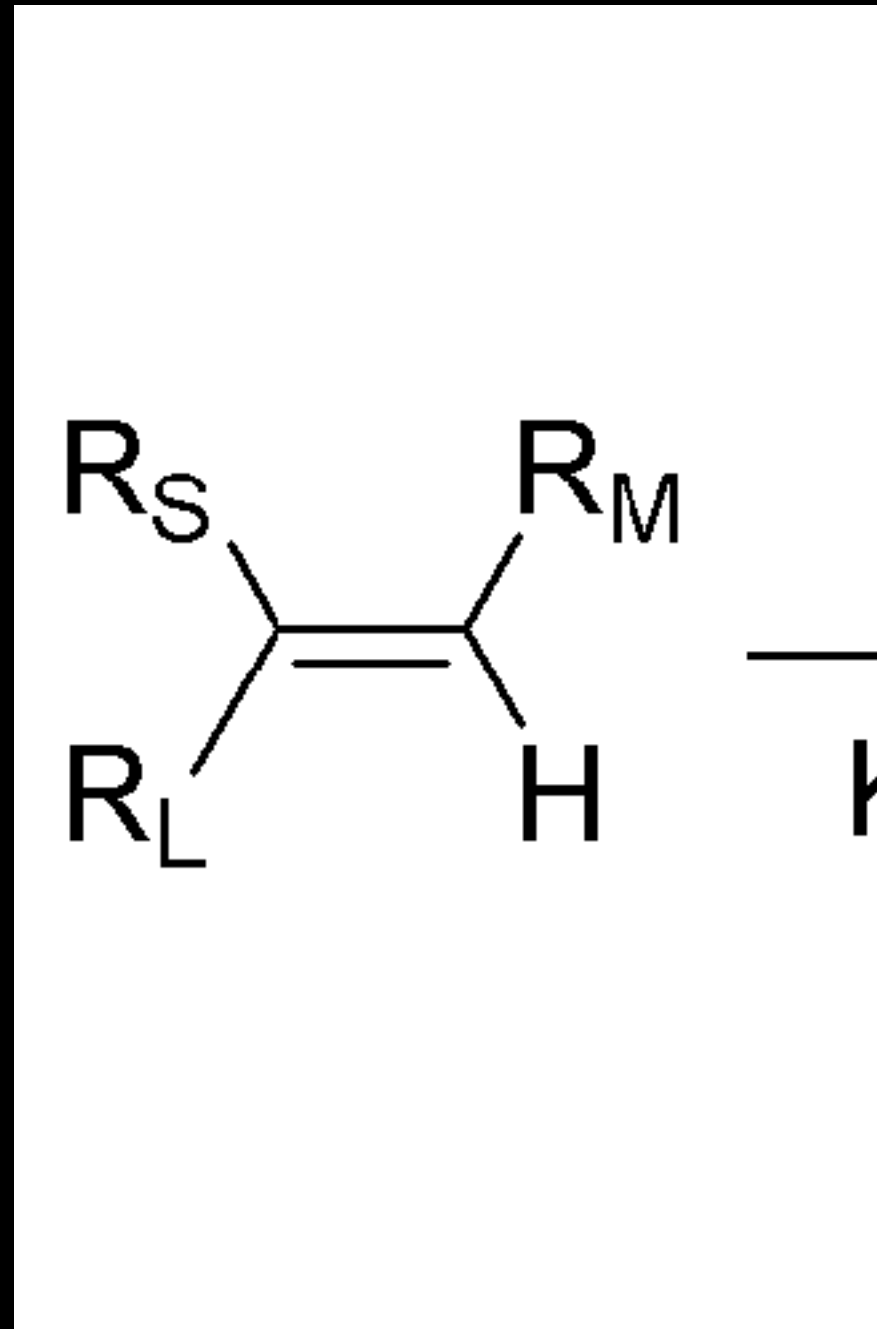
9The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. 10He was in the world, and though the world was made through Him, the world did not recognize Him. 11He came to that which was His own, but His own did not receive Him. 12Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His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

¹⁴The 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.

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.'")

¹⁶Out of His fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given. ¹⁷For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸No 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.

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The densest chemical element is osmium (which is a metal). Osmium has a density of around 22 grams per cubic centimeter, about twice the density of lead!

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John's Prologue



“No portion of the New Testament captured the imagination and the attention of the Christian intellectual community for the first three centuries, than the prologue to John’s Gospel. In the church’s attempt to understand the person of Christ in trinitarian terms, the church was virtually preoccupied with this high view of Christ that is expressed in the Prologue.”

R. C. Sproul

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The Word is Jesus

**Jesus is the one and only Son
who came from the Father**

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Jesus existed in the Beginning

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Jesus existed in the Beginning

Jesus was with God (the Father)

Jesus was God

Jesus created Everything

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Jesus is the source of light & life

¹²Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God — ¹³children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

**Anyone who receives Jesus
— who believes in His name —
is reborn as a child of God**



**Why did John begin
his Gospel this way?**

Inductive vs Deductive

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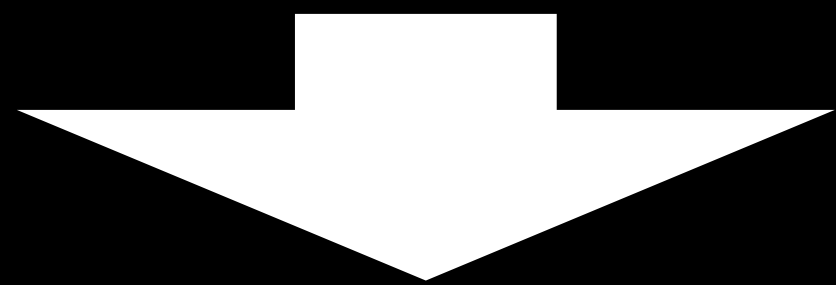
Inductive preaching asks a question and arrives at the answer toward the end of the sermon. Deductive is the opposite of that.

In deductive preaching you give the declarative statement up front and then support it. So the styles differ by whether the listener hears the point you're going to make up front, or they hear the question and then arrive at the answer through a progression.

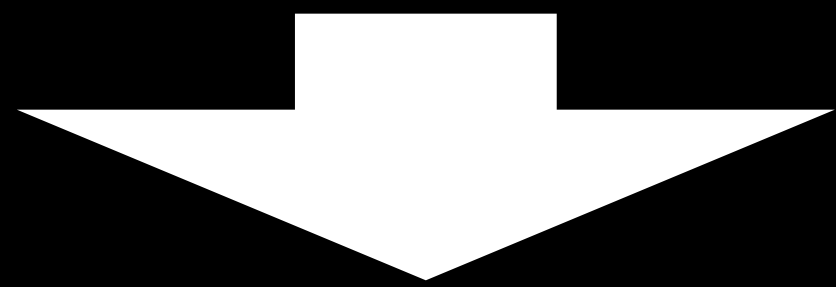
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Matthew—Mark—Luke

Who is Jesus?



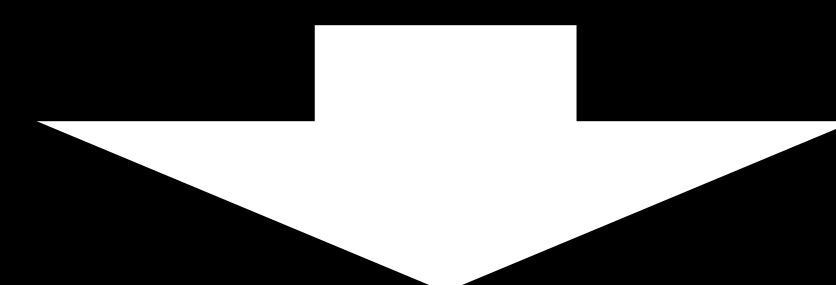
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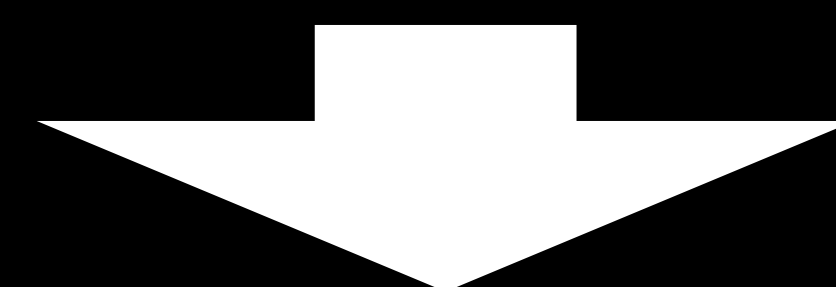
"You are Messiah!"

John

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Confirming Signs



Life in His Name!

**John wants us to know
in 18 verses —
What it took him 3 years
to figure out.**

John 20:8-9 NIV

**Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed.
(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)**

**Let me
unpack
the bag
for you.**





The Word is Jesus

Jesus is the one

and only Son

who came from

the Father



**Jesus existed in
the beginning**

**Jesus was with
God the Father,
& WAS God
Himself**



**Jesus created
Everything**

**Jesus is the
SOURCE of
Light & Life**



**Anyone who
receives Jesus
— who believes
in His name —
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child of God**

**You don't need to
waste any more time
figuring this out.**

