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I. Christ is eternal

- a. Pre-existent
- b. Coexistent
- c. Self-existent

2. Christ is the Creator

- a. The positive statement
- b. The absolute statement

3. Christ is life

- a. The source of light
- b. The answer to darkness
- 1) Shines in darkness
- 2) Conquers darkness

- 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.

Jesus the Light of Men: The Second Witness of John the Apostle John 01:09–13

- 1. Christ was the Light
 - a. He was the true Light
 - b. He came to give all people light

2. Christ was tragically rejected by the world

- a. He was in the world but He was rejected
- b. He came to His own people but they rejected Him

3. Christ was wonderfully received by some

- a. How: By believing
- b. Result: Became sons of God
- c. The Source of becoming a child of God: A new birth
- 1) It was not of man
- 2) It was of God

- 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.