

**Jesus the Living Word:
The First Witness of John the Apostle
John 01:01–05**

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

- 1 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.