

John 1:1-5

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning.*

*Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.*

Dear Christ Jesus, the Father and God from the beginning and to the end, you are glorified. We affirm your deity from which “*all things were made.*” Through you is your gift of “*life,*” the “*light of men.*” You are “*the life*” from whom comes all spiritual illumination. Your “*light shines in darkness,*” and holds out a wonderful hope for all mankind. Keep us ever mindful of your great glory and your gift of “*life.*” Keep us steadfast and grounded in the promise of eternal “*life*” and being WITH GOD. Amen.