



**Objective:** Help your kids know that Jesus Christ took on flesh and lived among us. He is the eternal Son of God, co-equal with the Father, through whom all things were created. Therefore we worship, trust, and obey Him.

**How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible:** This lesson is set during the life of Christ on earth and explains the nature of Christ and how He took on flesh and lived among us displaying spiritual life and truth in our sinful world. This was Jesus, God's Son, the Messiah whom God had promised would come through the people He chose and set aside in the Old Testament.

**Bible Basics:** Memorize John 1:1-2 this week and work with family members to do so as well.

## Read the Word: John 1:1-18

### Disciple Your Kids

Talk with your children or grandchildren about how Jesus is both fully God and fully man and came to die on the cross for our sins.



#### **Key Truth: Jesus Is the Eternal Creator (John 1:1-3)**

John wanted his readers to understand that Jesus of Nazareth (the Word) was not only God, but also the person of the Godhead who was most active in the creation.



#### **Key Truth: Jesus Is Life and Truth (John 1:4-13)**

We would expect the world's Creator to be welcome here, yet that is not how things happened. On the contrary, the world Christ created did not even recognize Him. The darkness of sin hindered its vision. It certainly did not accept Him (verses 10-11). Nevertheless, some did receive Him and became children of God (verse 12).



#### **Key Truth: Jesus Is God's Grace, Truth, and Glory in Human Form (John 1:14-18)**

With verse 14 John made a claim that Jews and Gentiles alike found astounding: the Creator (the Word who made everything else) became part of the creation, specifically, a human being. Theologians call this the incarnation. But Scripture also affirms Jesus was fully God — God in human flesh.

# Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with your kids this week.

- What do we learn about Jesus (the Word) in John 1:1?
- How was Jesus involved in creation?
- What does it mean that the Word became flesh and lived among us?
- How did grace and truth come through Jesus?
- How did Jesus make God known?
- **For Elementary:** Who is the Word in John 1:1?
- **For Elementary:** What do we learn about Jesus in John 1:1

## Everyday Extras

**Have your child put on a costume and ask,** “Does your costume make you a princess or a superhero? Are you still my child in there?” When Jesus put on flesh and blood and came to earth in a human body, He was still God. That did not change. He was both man and God at the same time.

## Preschool Highlights for **SQUAKE!** 1 & **ROUND** 2

Today your child learned how **God Has Many Names**. He or she learned one of them is **LORD**, which refers to Yahweh, the personal name of God. God is the one, true God and is always there for us. God appeared to Moses in a burning bush, and gave him a job to do. God was with Moses and He is always with us too.