

[SERMON NOTES]

Beginning with the End in Mind – John 20:30-31, 1:1-5

[QUICK REVIEW]

Looking at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

[MY STORY]

Belief is a word that gets used a lot in our culture. **Other than Jesus/faith/Christianity, what are some things in life that you really believe in?**

[DIGGING DEEPER]

In our first week of our series on the book of John, we went all the way back to the beginning of time and all the way to the end of John. We learned that Jesus is *the* point, and that we are invited to believe in—trust in, rely on, ally ourselves to, put our weight on—Him. (Re)read the passage from this week again:

John 20:30-31, 1:1-5

Reflect on this question: ***What does it mean to your life and faith that Jesus is the “Word”—the logos, the meaning, the thing that holds all things together, that makes everything make sense?*** Then, take a look at this passage in Hebrews about the Word, which, though often interpreted to mean Scripture, is most likely referring to Jesus as well...

Read **Hebrews 4:12-13** (in several different translations if you have time). **Rewrite the passage in your own words.**

What are some things these verses teach us about God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)? (i.e. His plan for people, His attributes, His purposes for creation, etc.)

What are some things these verses teach us about people?

If you were to pull one thing from this passage to apply to your life to better follow Jesus as a disciple, what would it be?

[WEEKLY READINGS]

Studies say that someone who reads their Bible 4 times or more a week improves their joy, happiness, contentment, and overall approval of their life. (1 Tim. 4:8-10,16; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). Below are 4 passages of Scripture this week to dive into to pull deeper on our weekend’s message. We encourage you to take notes in your Bible, and ask yourself: *What does this teach me about God? Myself and others? And how do I follow Jesus better?*

John 1

Genesis 1

Hebrews 4

Philippians 2