

And The Word Was Made Flesh
(John 1; Heb.10:5-7)

Hence, when He [Christ] entered into the world, He said, Sacrifices and offerings You have not desired, but instead **You have made ready a body for Me** (Heb. 10:4). The Word became flesh and tabernacle among us; and we saw His glory, such glory as an only begotten son receives from his father, full of grace and truth (v.14).

Before all time YAHSHUA existed; He was with God, and He was God Himself. He was the Word of God. Everything was created by Him; He was Life and the life was the light of men (v.1-4). The Word entered the world He created and the world recognized Him not; the Word came for His own people and they rejected Him. Amidst these situations He came and fulfilled the will of the Father. As a Creator, He commanded and all things were created by the power of His words. We read in Genesis one that God said, Let it be and there was whatever He commanded to be created. It is amazing and beyond understanding that our God took a human form to live among men- sinful men to buy them back from the power of the enemy, Satan but men had Him as their enemy and rejected Him.

This chapter of John is very complete concerning the deity of YAHSHUA: He is introduced as the Word of God; He is God Himself; He is the Creator; He is Life; He is light of men; He has declared the Father; He is the Lamb of God, Who takes the sin of the world! Several key words such as life, light, glory appeared here are repeated throughout the gospel of John. YAHSHUA presented as the Word of God signifies the “rational principle of divine reason, mind, or even wisdom; God’s Word is His powerful self-expression in creation, wisdom, revelation and salvation”. The Word of God was fire in the mouth of the prophet Jeremiah (Jer.5:14). Is not My word like fire? Says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks in pieces the rock (Jer. 23:29)? Not only has He expressed power through His Word in the creation, but also in judgment, for the Word that God speaks is alive and full of power; it is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetration to the dividing line of the breath of life and the spirit, and of joints and analyzing and judging the very thoughts and purposes of the heart (Heb. 4:12).

When the Word became flesh He set the captives free, He healed many of all diseases, He made the blind to see, the mute to speak, He brought the dead to life, and He proclaimed physical and spiritual liberty. Men saw His glory in everything He did, for He was full of grace, loving-kindness and truth. Out of His fullness they have all received one grace after another and spiritual blessing upon spiritual blessing and even favor upon favor and gift upon gift (vs. 17). Since no one had seen the Father, YAHSHUA made Him known through His life. John declared about Him that He was preferred before him, the string of His sandals he was not worthy to unloose; He presented Him as the Lamb of God that takes the sin of the world. When He laid His life for the world He became the sacrificial Lamb on that Passover day; for that reason a body was prepared for Him. He suffered the ultimate rejection of the Jews when they handled Him to the gentiles for the death of crucifixion; when they spat on His face and struck him with their fists; and slapped him in the face; when they made sport of Him while He hung on the

cross. John introduced Him to the Jewish nation as the Messiah, but that is how they received Him.

When He comes as the powerful Word of God He will be dressed in a robe dyed by dipping in blood, and the title by which He is called is the Word of God; He will pass judgment and wages war in righteousness; His eyes like a flame of fire, and on His head many kingly crowns; and He has a title inscribed which He alone knows or can understand. From His mouth goes forth a sharp sword with which He can smite the nations; and He will shepherd and control them with a staff of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fierceness of the wrath and indignation of God the All-Ruler (Rev. 19: 11-13, 15). To the church of Pergamum He gave the warning: Repent or else I will come to you quickly and fight against them with the sword of My mouth (Rev. 2:16).

When YAHSHUA first came, He came as the sacrificial Lamb of God; but when He comes the second time, He will come as the Judge, the Ruler of the universe for those who rejected Him; but for those who accepted Him and followed His teachings, there will be a rewarding time, a time of joy and celebration. We have the opportunity to accept or reject Him in the time now available to us. His life He gave for us to have life through Him; He was the light, which shone through the darkness of men. Isaiah prophesied this about Him many years before He came: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great Light; those who dwelt in the land of intense darkness and the shadow of death, upon them has the Light shined (9:2). He said of Himself, I am the Light of the world. He who follows Me will not be walking in the dark, but will have the Light which is life (John 8:12). The believer is to shine His Light to the world, for He appropriated His Light for us to shine His truth and be a witness of His love; He said, Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father Who is in heaven (Matt. 5:16). The Word of God Who was made flesh was indeed the "Sole expression of the glory of God [the Light-being, the out-raying or radiance of the divine], and He is the perfect imprint and very image of [God's nature], upholding and maintaining and guiding and propelling the universe by His mighty **word** of power. When He had by offering Himself accomplished our cleansing of sins and riddance of guilt, He sat down at the right hand of the divine Majesty on high" (Heb. 1:3). This passage of Hebrews beautifully confirms the words of John one. Without a doubt the writer believed this truth and echoed the words of John. YAHSHUA, the most admired man who lived on earth, was also the most rejected. But to us He is our Peace, our Joy, our Hope, our Salvation, our Healer, our Counselor, our Prince of Peace, and our mighty God. To the Lamb of God, Who was slain for the sin of the World be glory, honor, power, adoration forever and ever Amen! The apostle John describes in Revelation what he saw and heard concerning the many thousands giving glory to the Lamb of God: Then I looked, and I heard the voices of many angels on every side of the throne and of the living creatures and the elders, and they numbered ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands, saying in a loud voice, Deserving is the Lamb Who was sacrificed, to receive all the power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and majesty and blessing (Rev. 5:1-12) amen! Shouldn't we join them with our voices of praise and worship in spirit and in truth to adore Him, the Lamb of God, Who was, is and is to come? Let His Light shine His honor, glory, majesty and love that is due Him with the way we live.