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Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." [John 8:12 ESV]


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Notice the two outcomes the Light of the
World brings

- "not walk in darkness"
- "have the light of life"



“The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork”
(Psalm 19:1, ESV)



What happens
if the sun
doesn't shine?





Entropy will
run its course






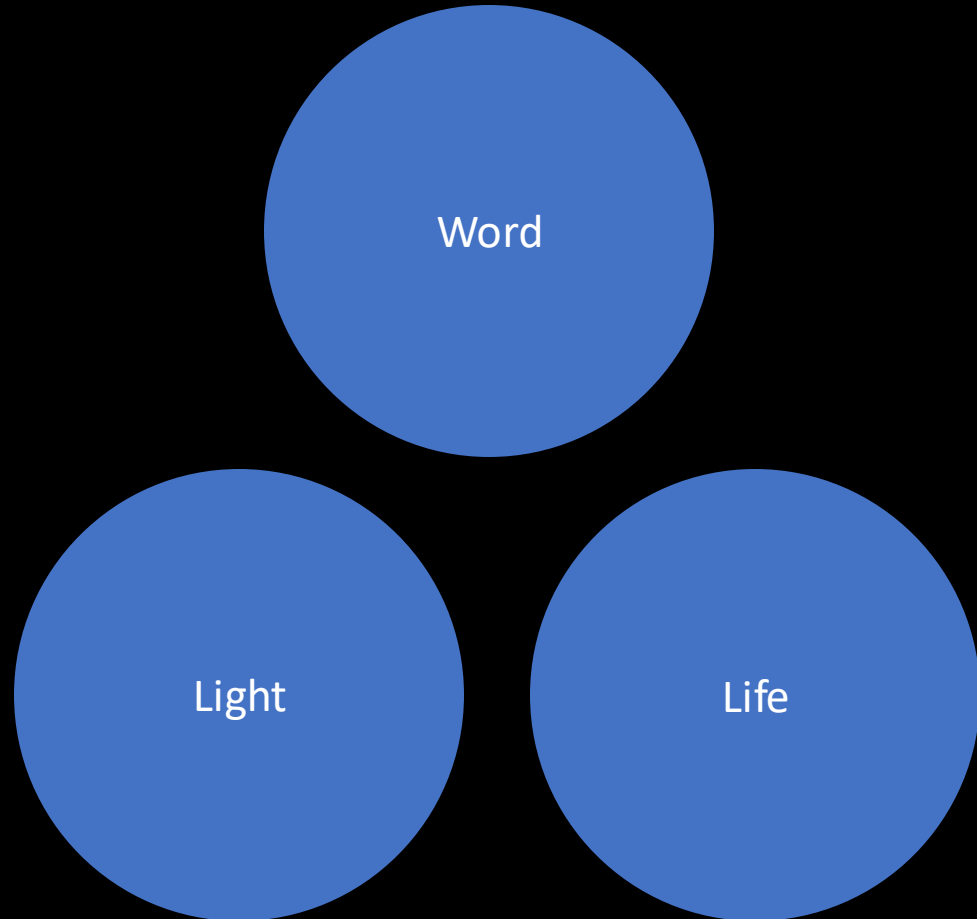
John 1:1-5

Scripture Reading





Key Words in John



Word *logos* (G3056)

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.” [John 1:1]

Word (logos) refers not just to the spoken word, but also to reasoning and intelligence behind the word

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Word *logos* (G3056)

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. [John 1:14 ESV]

The meaning and purpose behind Creation is personified.

Life zōē (G2222)

“In him was life, and the life was the light of men.” [John 1:4 ESV]

Can refer to the state of someone who is alive but also to the fullness of life which only God can give

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Life
zōē
(*G2222*)

“For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.” [John 5:26 ESV]

Light *phōs* (G5457)

“The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.”

[John 1:5 ESV]

Can be used of light and even fire, (to "shine" or to "make manifest")

Can be used in the sense of vision, knowledge, and morality

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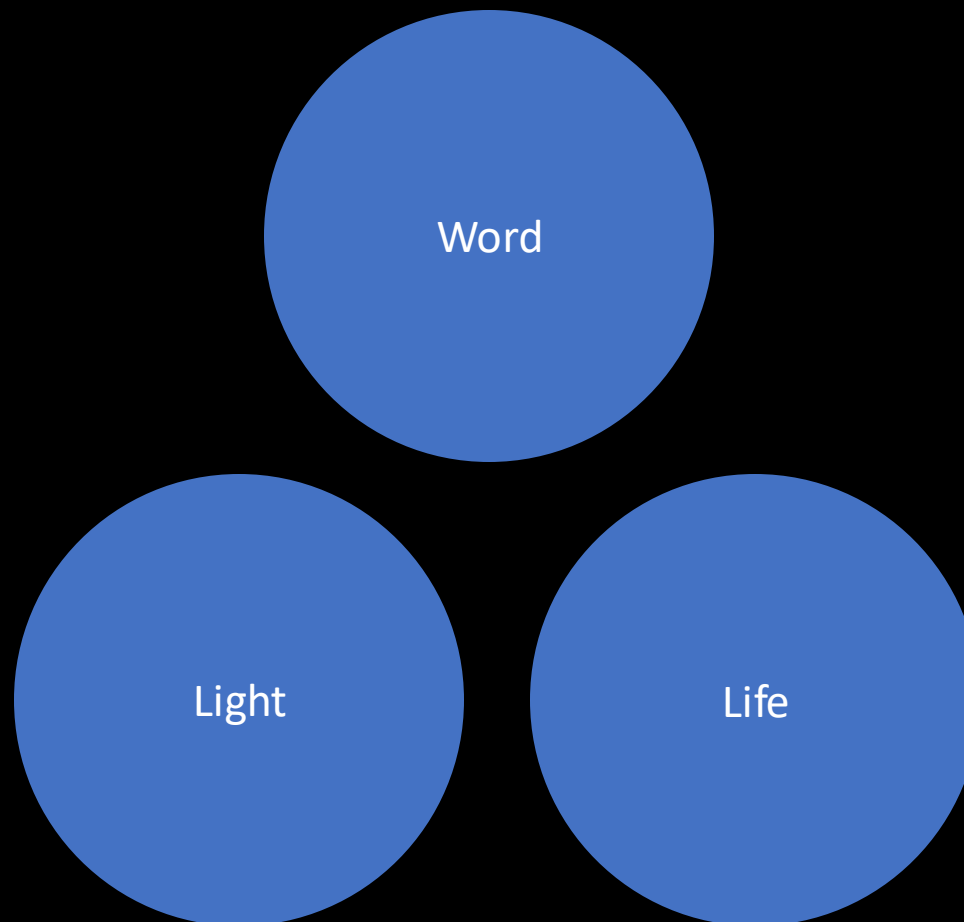
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“...he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.”

[1Ti 6:15-16 ESV]

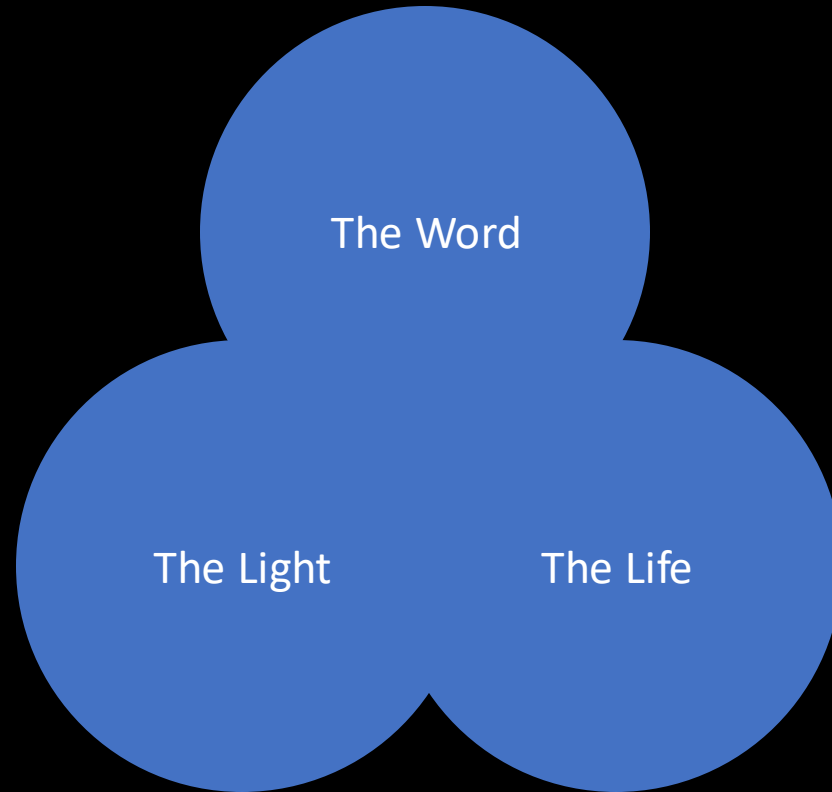


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Jesus Christ

The Word
The Life
The Light

“I am the Light of the World” (John 8:12)



Recap

- Two aspects of light: vision and energy
- The sun as the basis of energy & life in this world
- Entropy (2nd Law of Thermodynamics) shows us our need for the Light of Light
- Three foundational words in John: word, life, light
- Christ, the Light of the World: source and sustainer of all energy and life



Discuss

- What aspects of The Light of Life stand out most to you?
- Some teach that Entropy is a result of the fall; this study suggests it's a law of creation that teaches us about our need for the Creator
- How do we reconcile the “unapproachable light” in 1 Tim 6:15-16 with the inheritance “in light” in Col 1:12?