

# In Him Was Life

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"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him; and without Him was not any thing made that was made. **In Him was Life; and the Life was the Light of men.** And the Light shines in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." (John 1:1-5)

**In:** from the Greek word **en** which means: in, inside, within; figuratively: "in the realm or sphere of," as in the condition in which something operates from the inside (within). In context 'within' the very eternal nature, substance, and essence, of whom Christ Jesus is.

**Him:** from the Greek word **auto** which means: him; (from autos: self; he, she, it, the same; self, as used (in all persons, genders) to distinguish a person or thing from or contrast it with another. In Context: Jesus.

**Was:** from the Greek word **en** which means: was; from **eimi** which means 'I exist' or I am; in the sense of existing, or being). The context is: Life (eternal Life) was, is, and shall always be "in" Christ Jesus. And this Life was, is, and shall always be the "Light" unto all mankind!

**Life:** from the Greek word **zoe** which means: life; both of physical animate life and of spiritual (particularly future existence) life. (Life, in the sense of all living things). In context: God's spiritual self-existent Life; which is in Jesus; and which Jesus makes conditionally eternally available to all mankind.

**Light:** from the Greek word **phos** which means: light; a source of light, radiance. properly, light (especially in terms of its results, what it manifests); in context: the manifestation of God's self-existent life; and divine illumination to reveal and impart Eternal Life, in and through Christ Jesus.

**Men:** from the Greek word **anthropon** which means: men, mankind, humankind; from **anthropos** – a man; but also the generic term for "mankind"; the human race; people.

(Includes women and men, since both are created in the image of God – each equally vested with individual personhood and destiny; as it says in Galatians 3:28: "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for you are all one in Christ Jesus." (cf. Gal 3:28).

**Literal:** "In Him Life was, and the Life was the Light - that of-men."

**New King James:** "In Him was Life; and the Life was the Light of men."

**My paraphrase:** "In Jesus was Life eternal; and His Life was the Light of all mankind."

The divine 'Life' that is in Christ Jesus **is** the Light that enlightens every person who comes to, believes in, and receives Jesus into their lives as Lord and Savior. Indeed Jesus is the Life, and the Light through whom we obtain eternal fellowship with both Him and the Father, as true sons, (children) of God. Consider the following:

Jesus "...was the **True Light**, who enlightens every man (person) who comes into the world. ... And as many as received Him (Jesus), to them He gave power to become the sons (children) of God, even to those who believe on His name." (John 1:12)

"That (speaking of Jesus) which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning **the Word of Life (Jesus)**; for **the Life was manifested**, and we have seen it, and bear witness, and show unto you **that Eternal Life, who was with the Father, and was manifested unto us**; that which we have seen and heard **we declare unto you**, that you also may have fellowship with us: and truly **our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ.** And these things we write unto you, so that your joy may be full. (1John 1:1-4)

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“And this is the record: that **God has given to us eternal life, and this Life is in His Son. He who has the Son has Life**; and he who has not the Son of God does not have **Life**. These things have I written unto you who believe on the Name of the Son of God; so that you may know that you have Eternal Life, and that you may believe on the Name of the Son of God.” (1John 5:11-13)

Jesus, Himself, emphatically declares Himself to be the source of Life for mankind, and Eternal Life for everyone who believes in Him. Consider the following “**Truly, truly**” statements of Jesus:

“Then Jesus answered and said unto them, '**Truly, truly**, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, except what He sees the Father do; for whatever things He (the Father) does, these things also the Son does likewise. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will shew Him greater works than these, so that you may marvel. For as the Father raises up the dead, and gives-life to them; even so the Son gives-life to whom He wills.” (John 5:19-21)

Jesus said, “**Truly, truly**, I say unto you: he who hears My word, and believes on Him (the Father) who sent Me, has Everlasting Life, and shall not come into condemnation; **but has passed from death unto Life. Truly, truly**, I say unto you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they who hear shall live. **For as the Father has Life in Himself; so has He given to the Son to have Life in Himself**; and has also given Him (Jesus) authority to execute judgment; because He is the Son of Man.” (John 5:24-27)

“Then Jesus said unto them, '**Truly, truly**, I say unto you, Moses did not give you that bread from heaven; but My Father gives you the True Bread from heaven. **For the Bread of God is He** who comes down from heaven, **and gives Life unto the world.**’ Then they said unto Him, 'Lord, forevermore give us this bread.' And Jesus said unto them, '**I am the Bread of Life**; he who comes to Me shall never hunger; and he who believes on Me shall never thirst.’” (John 6:32-35)

“**Truly, truly**, I say unto you: he who believes on Me has Everlasting Life. I am that Bread of Life! Your fathers ate manna in the wilderness, and are dead. **This** is the Bread which comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat of it **and not die. I am the Living Bread who came down from heaven**; if any man eats of **this Bread**, he shall live forever; and the Bread that I will give is My flesh, which I will give **for the life of the world.**” (John 6:47:51) “*For the life of the flesh is in the blood...*” (Leviticus 17:11)

It is not what we have done to receive eternal life; rather **it is what Jesus has done with His Life**, for us, for all mankind, **that secures Eternal Life for us!!** For you!! For me!! All to the praise and Glory of God the Father and to His Son Jesus Christ – “**Who is our Life!!**”

Consider the following added benefits that **we** receive through the Life who is Christ Jesus:

## **Our life is hid with Christ in God! We shall appear with Him in Glory**

“If you then have been risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sits at the Right Hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For you are dead, and **your life is hid with Christ in God. When Christ, Who is our Life**, shall appear, then **you shall also appear with Him in glory.**” (Colossians 3:1-4)

## **Christ Jesus actually lives in us!**

“I am crucified with Christ; **nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me**; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, **who loved me, and gave Himself up for me.** (Galatians 2:20)

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**We are justified, reconciled to God, and saved from wrath, through His life:**

“But God demonstrates His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, **Christ died for us**. Much more then, being now **justified by His Blood** (His Life), **we shall be saved from wrath through Him**. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, **we shall be saved by His Life**. And not only this, but we also rejoice in God **through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.**” (Romans 5:8-11)

**Christ's Life in us, sees us through persecution, trials, and troubles:**

“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, so **that the Life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body**. For **we who live are always being delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, so that the Life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh**. So then death works in us, but **(His) Life in you.**” (2 Corinthians 4:7-12)

**We shall never die, for we shall live forever:**

“Then Martha said unto Jesus, 'Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. But I know, that even now, whatever You will ask of God, God will give it to You.' Jesus said unto her, 'Your brother shall rise again.' Martha said unto Him, 'I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.' Jesus said unto her, **I am the Resurrection, and the Life; he who believes in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live**. And **whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die**. Do you believe this?' She said unto Him, 'Yes, Lord: I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who should come into the world.'” (John 11:21-27)

**All those who have physically died, who are in Christ, shall be raised alive at His Coming:**

“But now Christ has been raised from the dead, **and has** become the First-fruits of those who have slept (died). For since through a man came death, through a Man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so **in Christ all shall be made alive**. But every man in his own order: Christ the first-fruits; and afterward **those who are Christ's at His coming.**” (1 Corinthians 15:12-23)

## In Jesus Was Life

**And His Life was the Light of men!**

**His Life is the Light through which we are enlightened!**

**His Life is the Life through whom we receive Life Everlasting!**

**His Life is the Life through whom we receive reconciliation with our Father!**

**His Life is the Life through whom we shall one day appear forever with Him in glory!**

**Through His Life we have become the Children of God Almighty!**

**Thank You Jesus for my life!**

**Thank You for saving my life from eternal separation from You and the father!**

**Thank You Jesus for Your Life in me!**

**Thank You for giving me Eternal Life!**

**All Praise and Glory is Yours now, and forever! Amen!**