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Dear Saints,

The Scriptures say in the gospel According to John 1:1 CEV, "In the beginning was the one who is called the Word. The Word was with God and was truly God. V6 God sent a man named John, v7 who came to tell about the light and to lead all people to have faith." - John 1: v1, 6, 7

The Johannine community that produced this gospel begins with a poem, or a hymn of the logos-creation. The logos, or Word, is an ancient life-principle in Greek philosophy. Here John assigns it to the Christ, a Hebrew life-principle.

Interestingly, John speaks of Christ as The Word of God. The Word of God is a Person. The Bible is only the word of God as far as it points us to Christ Jesus. It's strictly not correct to say, "The word of God is in my bag." No, the Word of God is a Person, Jesus Christ.

What we see here in the Johannine gospel is a view of who Christ Jesus is. The gospel goes on to describe John the Baptist's role also.

Knowing who we are, and the task God has laid out for us is important for our faith. How can we do what God wants if we do not know who we are and what we are? This is how the gospel begins. Who is Jesus? <answer> What is the role of the Baptist? <answer>.

Ergo, who are you, and what is your role in this story of faith?

The Good News is intensely personal for us.

Do we know who we are?

Do we know what God is calling us to do?

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Folks, look out for Pastor Randy on the 22nd September as he shares his testimony with us at 9h30am.

God bless,

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