

Sunday, December 8, 2019 Dr. Nathan Neufang

OVERCOMING THE DARKNESS JOHN 1:1-5

MIS (Passage in a Sentence): Because Jesus is God, he is the only one powerful enough to overcome the darkness and give life.

The purpose statement of the book of John 20:30–31:

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

- I. Jesus is God, so we should worship Him. (V. 1-2)
 - a. Jesus existed before the beginning of everything.
 - b. Jesus is the Word of God.
 - i. The Word of God, Jesus, was promised in the Old Testament.
 - ii. The Word of God, Jesus, reveals to us the Father.
 - c. Jesus was always in fellowship with the Father.
 - d. Jesus is God.
- II. Jesus is powerful, so we can trust him and find ultimate fulfillment in Him. (V. 3)a. Jesus is the agent of creation.
 - b. Jesus created and continues to sustain us.
 - i. Because Jesus created all things, He gets to control the outcome.
 - ii. Because Jesus created all things, we can trust Him.
 - iii. Because Jesus created all things, we can find ultimate fulfillment in Him.
- III. Jesus is victor, so we can know that in Him is Life and Light, which will overcome all darkness. (V. 4-5)
 - a. There is real darkness in the world that points to our need for a Savior.
 - b. Jesus is the only one who brings life.
 - c. Jesus is the only one that brings light.