# FUSION Q's... John Part 1 – In the Beginning

## Read John 1:1-5

Q1. Have you ever thought of Jesus actively involved in creating the world? What is the importance of this?

[Leader: The passage very clearly identifies Jesus as God and not a created being]

Q2. The passage says that the Word gave life to everything at creation and his life gave light to everyone. How did Jesus coming into the world give life and light to everything the same way he did at creation?

[Difficult question – as the "light", Jesus shows us the way to God and salvation]

Q3. Why is it so encouraging to know that the darkness will never extinguish the light? Why is this a significant thing to believe?

#### Read John 1:6-18

Q4. Why was John the Baptist's role so important?

Q5. Why did the world not recognize Jesus? Why does the world not recognize him today?

Q6. Why would God not make the world recognize him?

Q7. If you are wondering about what God is like, John's answer is to look at the life of Jesus. In your own words, try and explain who Jesus is.

Q8. What difference does it make to your life to know that Jesus created you and that without him there is no light and no life? Does this knowledge change the way you live your life? Why or why not?

## **Bible Passages for Fusion Discussion**

## John 1:1-18 (NLT)

- <sup>1</sup> In the beginning the Word already existed. The Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- <sup>2</sup> He existed in the beginning with God.
- <sup>3</sup> God created everything through him, and nothing was created except through him.
- <sup>4</sup> The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone.

<sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness,

and the darkness can never extinguish it.

<sup>6</sup> God sent a man, John the Baptist, <sup>7</sup> to tell about the light so that everyone might believe because of his testimony. <sup>8</sup> John himself was not the light; he was simply a witness to tell about the light. <sup>9</sup> The one who is the true light, who gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.

<sup>10</sup> He came into the very world he created, but the world didn't recognize him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own people, and even they rejected him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. <sup>13</sup> They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

<sup>14</sup> So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

<sup>15</sup> John testified about him when he shouted to the crowds, "This is the one I was talking about when I said, 'Someone is coming after me who is far greater than I am, for he existed long before me."

<sup>16</sup> From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another. <sup>17</sup> For the law was given through Moses, but God's unfailing love and faithfulness came through Jesus Christ. <sup>18</sup> No one has ever seen God. But the unique One, who is himself God, is near to the Father's heart. He has revealed God to us.