

# Creeds 3 - Incarnation

Week of 5th of May 2024

Leader: Opening prayer

**Read Acts 10 : 44 – 48**

**Ref V 44 to V46**

Why were the believers from among the circumcised amazed that the gentiles also received the gift of the Holy Spirit?

Have you ever heard anyone speaking in tongues?

What did it sound like?

Could anyone present understand what was being said?

**Ref V47 to V48**

Considering that there was already strong evidence that the people had received the Holy Spirit, why was it important to Paul that they were baptized with water?

Do you feel that the presence of the Holy Spirit is currently influencing your life in a marked way or is it perhaps less obvious?

**Read John 1 : 1 – 14**

**Ref V1 to V3**

What do you think is meant by “the word?”

**Ref V4 to V5**

Do you think this statement is still valid today or are all the conflicts in the world evidence that the darkness might have overcome the light in some instances?

**Ref V6 to V8**

Why was it so important that John came to bear witness? After all, the things that Jesus did during his ministry were surely enough evidence that he was not an ordinary man?

**Ref V9 to V11**

There is a reasonable amount of evidence from the scriptures that people who witnessed Jesus' acts knew he had extraordinary powers. Why was it such a massive leap to accept he was the Son of God?

**Ref V12 to V14**

Some people have difficulty in accepting the whole concept of Christianity. Do you think that there is a sort of “elite club” that we join when we believe and everyone else is left out in the cold?

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## Background Book of Acts

The almost universally accepted opinion is that Luke and Acts had a common authorship. The book of Acts seems to have been written about the time of Paul's imprisonment, with the account of which the narrative closes.

## John's Gospel

John's book is not a biography; it's a theological argument. John wants to convince us that Jesus of Nazareth is God the Son. Then he wants to show us how that fact will change our lives in some amazing ways. It is by believing in Jesus Christ as the Son of God that we find life – real life, eternal life, a whole new kind of life!

Douglas Connelly – John, The Way To True Life.