

## AM Sermon Notes

**Text:** *John 1:1-2, 10-11, 12-13*

**Title:** **From Eternity to Earth**

**Central Truth:** In Christ, God has come to offer the gift of salvation to all who will receive Him.

### **I. vv. 1-2: The Deity of Christ**

John calls Jesus the word (Greek - *logos*). The Greeks thought of *logos* as reason or rationality in the universe. Jews understood *logos* as God's active, creating word or speech (*c.f. Psalm 33:6, Genesis 1*).

#### *Three Truths About Jesus:*

**v. 1a: 1. Jesus is Eternal** (pre-existent)

Four times John uses the verb was. It is the imperfect tense of the Greek verb "to be", which emphasizes a continuous, timeless, eternal existence.

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**v. 1b: 2. Jesus is Distinct** (from God the Father)

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**v. 1c: 3. Jesus is God**

### **II. vv. 10-11: The Descent of Christ**

**v. 10: knew or know** - This word does not just mean head or intellectual knowledge, but it speaks of personal, relationship knowledge.

### **III. vv. 12-13: The Deliverance of Christ**

John stresses the great truth that salvation is not something we can earn or achieve by human works, merit or design. It is a gift that Jesus gives to us!