

The Book of Signs

The Prologue

1 In the beginning was the Word,
and the Word was with God,
and the Word was God.

² He was in the beginning with God.

³ All things were made through him,
and without him was not any thing made that was made.

⁴ In him was life,^[a]
and the life was the light of men.

⁵ The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it.

⁶ (There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸ He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. ⁹ The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world.)

¹⁰ He was in the world,
and the world was made through him,
yet the world did not know him.

¹¹ He came to his own,
^[b] and his own people^[c] did not receive him.

¹² But to all who did receive him, (who believed in his name),
he gave the right to become children of God,

^[13] who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.)

¹⁴ And the Word became flesh
and dwelt among us,
and we have seen his glory,
glory as of the only Son from the Father,
full of grace and truth.

¹⁵ (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.'")

¹⁶ For from his fullness
we have all received,
grace upon grace.^[d]

^[17] For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. ¹⁸ No one has ever seen God; the only God,^[e] who is at the Father's side,^[f] he has made him known.)