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## MEMORY VERSE

BUT THESE ARE WRITTEN THAT YOU MAY BELIEVE THAT JESUS IS THE MESSIAH, THE SON OF GOD, AND THAT BY BELIEVING YOU MAY HAVE LIFE IN HIS NAME.

JOHN 20:31

# PURPOSE OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Cited in the memory verse—to show the deity of Christ, not to give a narrative of his life.

To strengthen the faith of second generation believers.

To correct the false teaching that the “Christ-spirit” came upon the human Jesus at His baptism and left Him at the crucifixion. (The heresy of Docetism)



**John  
portrays  
Jesus as  
the God of  
the Old  
Testament  
with the  
first verse  
of his  
Gospel.**

**“In the beginning was the Word,  
and the Word was with God,  
and the Word was God.”**

John 1:1 (KJV)

# I am that, I am

A photograph of a bonfire burning in a desert landscape at night. The fire is bright orange and yellow, with flames rising from a pile of brush and sticks. The background shows dark silhouettes of mountains under a deep blue night sky. The overall scene is dramatic and evocative.

**The “I AM”  
statements  
in the  
Gospel of  
John reveal  
Jesus as  
the God of  
the Old  
Testament,  
who told  
Moses that  
His name is  
“I AM THAT  
I AM”.**

# I Am the Bread of Life.



As God fed the bodies of his people in the wilderness with manna so Christ feeds the souls of his people.

# I Am the Light of the World.



Christ is the same light God promised  
in Isaiah 30:26  
and 60:19-22



# I Am the Good Shepherd



God is the Shepherd of Israel (Psalm 23:1;  
80:1; Jeremiah 31:10, and Ezekiel 34:23)

# I Am the Door of the sheep.



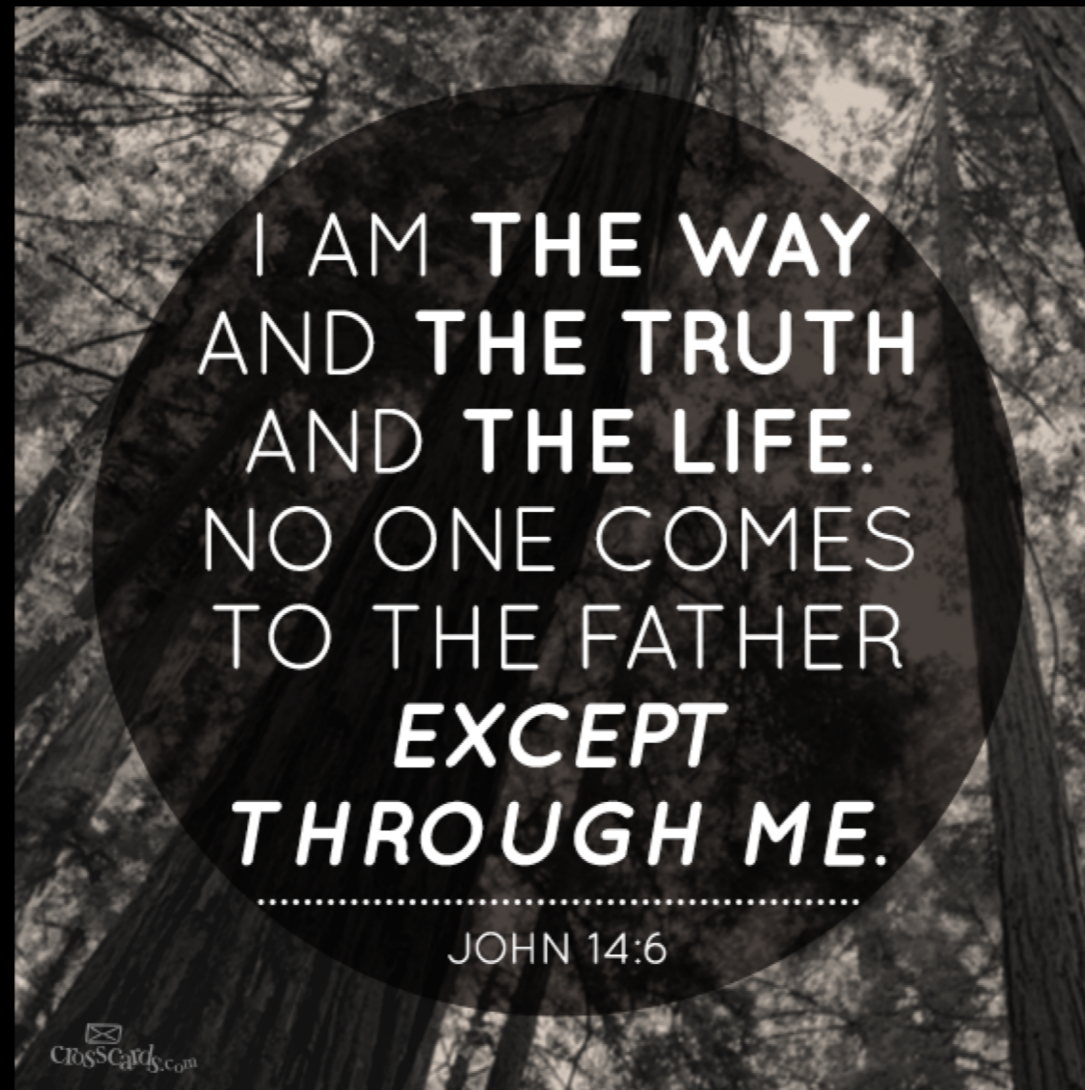
Christ is the only way to salvation as there is only one door to the sheepfold.

# I Am the Resurrection and the Life.

Jesus said to her,  
*I am the resurrection*  
and the life. He who  
believes in me will live,  
even though he dies; and  
*whoever lives and believes*  
*in me will never die.*  
- John 11:25-26

Jesus says this at the tomb of Lazarus,  
claiming to have the power of life and death—  
something only God Himself has.

# I Am the way, the truth and the life.

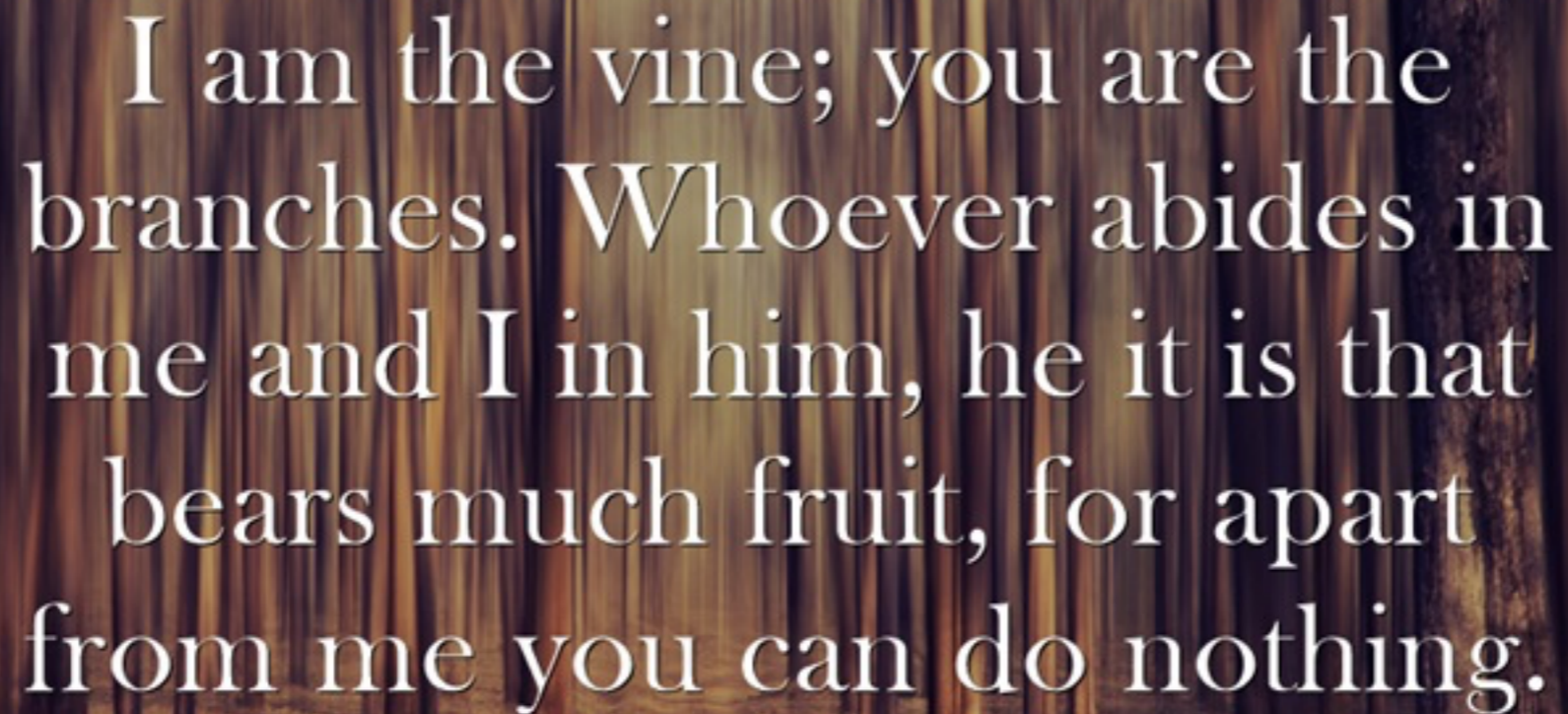


Christ is the “way of holiness” (Isaiah 35:8);

Christ established the City of Truth of Zechariah 8:3 when he preached the truth of the gospel;

Christ is the Creator of Life, God Incarnate (Genesis 2:7).

# I Am the true vine.



I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:5

Christ identifies Himself with Israel, called the vineyard of God in many Old Testament passages. He is the Lord of the “true Israel”: all those who would come to Him in faith.

# What is our response to the “I AM” statements made by Jesus Christ in the Gospel of John?



A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said wouldn't be a great moral teacher. He'd be either a lunatic on a level with a man who says he's a poached egg or else he'd be the devil of hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse.

— C. S. Lewis —

AZ QUOTES

**The Gospel of John affirms**

**JESUS CHRIST IS LORD!**



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*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly,  
teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom,  
singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,  
with thankfulness in your hearts to God.*

Colossians 3:16





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## Closing Prayer