

1 John 1:1-4

Witness to the Life

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

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John: Witness to the Life

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“But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning.”

John 15:26-27

John: Witness to the Life

1. John's theme: Jesus, the Son of God, and all that he has done (v.1-2)
 2. John's method: eyewitness testimony (v.1-2)
 - Personal
 - Empirical
 - Authoritative
 3. John's goal: fellowship with God (v.3)
 4. John's other goal: the fulfillment of his own joy (v.4)
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“For I rejoiced greatly when the brothers came and testified to your truth, as indeed you are walking in the truth. I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.”

3 John 3-4
