

## Followers of Jesus

Then, Now & Forever

Part 3 – Jesus is the Word!

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*John 1:1-5 (NKJV)*

*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 nothing was made that was made. 4 In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.*

Greek word, “**Logos**” describes the personhood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

### RULES MUST RULE

#### 1. A RULE IS NOT AN \_\_\_\_\_ TO ITSELF

*Matthew 5:17 (TLB)*

*17 "Don't misunderstand why I have come—it isn't to cancel the laws of Moses and the warnings of the prophets. No, I came to fulfill them and to make them all come true.*

#### 2. NOT ALL RULES ARE \_\_\_\_\_

*Colossians 2:20-23 (NLT)*

*20 You have died with Christ, and he has set you free from the spiritual powers of this world. So why do you keep on following the rules of the world, such as, 21 "Don't handle! Don't taste! Don't touch!?" 22 Such rules are mere human teachings about things that deteriorate as we use them. 23 These rules may seem wise because they require strong devotion, pious self-denial, and severe bodily discipline. But they provide no help in conquering a person's evil desires.*

—**Ceremonial Law:** how Israel was to be worshiped —Lev. 1:2-3

—**Civil Law:** how Israel was to live —Deut. 24:10-11

—**Moral Law:** how Israel was to love God —Exodus 20 (the Ten Commandments)

### **3. RULES PROTECT US BUT DON'T \_\_\_\_\_ US**

*Galatians 2:19 (MSG)*

*19 What actually took place is this: I tried keeping rules and working my head off to please God, and it didn't work. So I quit being a "law man" so that I could be God's man.*

ANSWERS:

1. END
2. EQUAL
3. SAVE