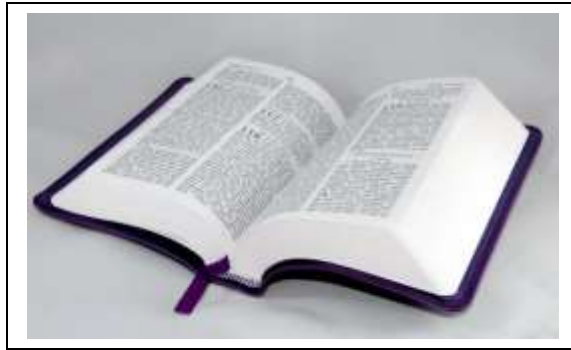


# God is: **THE WORD!**

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**Memory verses:** **Psalm 119:105**

**"Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.**

**John 1:1**

**"In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God."**

**Scripture lesson:** **John 1:1-14**

**Thinking about it:** When we started out on our journey to learn some of the attributes of God, we began with creation. When God created the world, how did He do it? HE **SPOKE** and the world came into being! God's words, as He said them (or shouted them or maybe even whispered them!), formed the physical world! Isn't that incredible? We also know that God is the **beginning**, as well as the ending. So God created the world and all things in it simply by speaking **WORDS!** And as people began to learn and understand and grow in their relationship with God, some of those people started to write down God's story as they experienced it and were inspired by Him. They wanted others to know what they knew about God! So they wrote the books which became the Old Testament. These books (which were originally written on scrolls), were called the **WORD OF GOD.** The Israelites treated these books with tremendous respect and honor, as if they were God Himself. And because the words told God's story, God became known as **THE WORD.** Then, when Jesus, God's son, came into the world, we learned that He (Jesus) was **WITH GOD** from the very beginning! As we read the verses in John for today, we hear that **"In the beginning was the WORD and the WORD with GOD and the WORD was GOD!"** Jesus is the person of God, who came down from heaven in the flesh (as a human) to show us **WHO GOD IS!** So in a way, JESUS has ALL the attributes of God that we've studied so far this year! He shows us, in person, who GOD is by how Jesus lived His life while on earth! Jesus is God, and He is the **WORD of GOD!**

**Craft suggestion:** Our craft for today involved making a bookmark with the Bible verses on it for you to use with your Bible, the WORD OF GOD! Below are the links to two good templates which can be followed, or you can be creative and make your own!

<http://mamascoffeeshop.info/blog/2012/12/08/free-pdf-download-psalm-119105-bookmarks/>

<https://coloringhome.com/coloring-page/1727313#>

**Video suggestion: God's Story: The Bible**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dv8dHsxjLd8>

When you watch this video, see if you can pick out some of God's attributes that we've studied this year!

**Questions to ponder:**

- What was at the beginning? (The WORD)
- Who or what was with the WORD? (God)
- What was the WORD? (God)
- What did the WORD do? (The WORD created all things, brought life and light into the world).
- Who was John? (John the Baptist, who taught people to get prepared because the Messiah was coming—the TRUE LIGHT)
- Did people accept the WORD—Jesus? (No)
- What did the WORD do? (The WORD became flesh and lived with people, so that people could see God's glory)



**Prayer:**

Dear God, Thank you so much for all You have done for us! You created the world through Your WORD and helped people write down ways that You worked in the world through the Bible. Then, best of all, You sent Your Son Jesus to us as the WORD in flesh so that we might see just how great and loving You really are! Help us fix our eyes on You so that we might help spread the light of Your love to the world! In Jesus' name, AMEN.