# The Beginning of Something Big

### **OPENING QUESTION**

What is your earliest memory since your birth?

## READ **John 1:1—51**.

#### 1. What is the "Word" (Greek logos) in the beginning of John's gospel?

- A. God's spoken message.
- **B.** The Greeks considered this the origin of all wisdom—the source.
- c. What scientists today call "The Big Bang" (but with purpose/smarts).
- D. It's gotta be Jesus (see vs. 14).
- E. This really doesn't make sense to me.
- F. It was with God, but it wasn't God, although it acted like God.
- G. Nature.
- H. Philosophical gobbledygook.
- I. Other.

#### 2. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness \_

**?** (vs. 5)

- A. Is always there.
- **B.** Cannot overcome it.
- c. Sometimes wins; sometimes loses.
- **D.** Doesn't stand a chance.
- E. Fights it but can't conquer it.
- **F.** Is very dark.
- G. Just seems to make the light more obvious.
- H. Makes me want to shine the light.
- I. Other.

#### 3. What happened when "the Light" came into the world?

- A. It revealed what the darkness had hidden previously.
- B. It made things quite obvious.
- c. The Light got rejected.
- **D.** It blinded people.
- E. When you prefer darkness, light is not welcomed.
- **F.** It gave new birth-spiritual re-generation.
- **G.** Gravitation pull for some people.
- H. It was bright at first, but then it started to fade.
- I. Other.

#### 4. What is so amazing about verse 14?

- A. The Word became human.
- B. God became human.
- c. God left heaven and "tented/tabernacled" on earth.
- **D.** Jesus walked the streets, ate and pooped, slept and felt emotions.
- E. Humans got to see exactly what God is like.
- F. There's certainly no excuse for not understanding God now.
- G. Compare this with 1 John 1:1-10.
- H. Other.

#### 5. What did Jesus reveal that Moses didn't reveal?

- A. Love.
- B. Power.
- c. Glory.
- **D.** Healing.
- E. Truth.
- F. Forgiveness.
- G. Grace.
- н. Other.

#### 6. What was John the Baptist's message?

- A. I am not the Messiah.
- B. I am not Elijah (Malachi 4:5-6).
- c. I am not "The Prophet" like Moses (Deuteronomy 18:15, 18).
- D. I am God's voice, and I'm saying, "Get ready for God's arrival!"
- E. Look, there is God-the Messiah/Anointed One.
- F. I have confirmation that Jesus is the Promised Messiah.
- G. Jesus is the real Lamb of God—the reality of all the symbolic lambs.
- H. Follow Jesus.
- I. Other.

# 7. Can anything good come out of Nazareth Christians? What happens when someone comes and sees?

8. Jesus promised that heaven would be open, and his disciples would see angels going up and down between heaven and earth via the Jesus stairway. What evidence do you have for any of this?