

# THE GOD WHO SPEAKS: SUNDAY SCHOOL KIT

## SESSION 4 – THE WORD MADE FLESH

1. What is the significance of Jesus being called “The Word?”
2. What do Matthew 5:17-18 and John 5:39 reveal to us about Christ’s view of Scripture?
3. What does it mean that Jesus was anticipated in the Old Testament and revealed in the New Testament? What are some biblical examples?
4. What is meant by the statement that, “the New Testament writers did not create the resurrection – the resurrection created the New Testament writers?”

### WORTH NOTING

It is no small thing for Jesus Christ to affirm the full authority of the Old Testament Scriptures (Matt. 5:17-18). Those who want to deny the truthfulness of the Old Testament accounts need to reckon with the fact that Jesus seems to treat these stories as legitimate expressions of historical people and events (Matt. 12:3-4, Matt. 12:40, Matt. 19:4-5). Jesus also treats the words of law, prophecy, and song as authoritative (Matt. 12:5, Matt. 22:43-45, Mark 7:6-13, John 10:34-38). Even as Jesus spoke with authority revealing God to us, He did so without correcting or undermining the Word of God previously given.

### [additional questions]

- + Why is the bodily resurrection of Christ essential to the Christian faith?
- + Discuss 2 Peter 1:16-21. What does this passage show us about God’s revelation?

**Other passages to consider:** Luke 24:25-27, John 8:31-47, 1 Pet. 1:6-12