STUDIOS' FEAR AFTER SUMMER Box-office warning: 'A widening of the haves and have-nots'

THE BEVERLY HILLS FACE-LIFT FALLS FLAT

THE TORTURED TAO OF TOM FORD

The designer turned director stokes consumerism yet hates it (a theme of his film *Nocturnal Animals*), disdains wealth but has it and has fought depression with no professional debilitation: 'There isn't an hour that goes by that I don't think about death' • Constant Fear

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- Happiness
- Ever Present
 Dark Thoughts

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

• John 20:30-31

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 was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

• John 1:1-5

Why is Jesus called "the Word?"

- 1. Communication
- 2. Creative Power

How does John describe "the Word?"

- 1. He is eternal; the very centerpiece of history.
- 2. He reveals a relational God.
- 3. He is God.
- 4. He is the Creator and Sustainer of All things.
- 5. He possesses life.
- 6. He is the light of men.

In this knowledge of Christ, there is an excellency above all other knowledge in the world; there is nothing more pleasing and comfortable, more animating and enlivening, more ravishing and soul contenting; . . . only Christ is the whole of man's happiness, the Sun to enlighten him, the Physician to heal him, the Wall of fire to defend him, the Friend to comfort him, the Pearl to enrich him, the Rock to sustain him under the heaviest pressures . . . Only Christ is the ladder between earth and heaven, the Mediator between God and man, a mystery, which the angels of heaven desire to pry, and look into. . . . As Christ is more excellent than all the world, so this sight transcends all other sights; it is the epitome of a Christian's happiness, the quintessence of evangelical duties, Looking unto Jesus."

• Isaac Ambrose, *Looking Unto Jesus*