

## The Round-Trip Journey of the Word

- In the beginning was the Word
  - The "ages" were made from Him, and for Him
  - The Word came out from the Father, purged sin, and returned to His right hand.
  - But in returning he brought back to the Father the "fruit" of His mission. He returned "carrying" or "upholding" or sustaining in Himself all that received the Word.
- The word "upholds" or "sustains" in verse 3 is **Gr: phero** – to carry, bring forth, bear. In BDAG "to bear or carry from one place to another".
    - [Luke 23:26](#) And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry (Gr: phero) it behind Jesus.

