## Wisdom and Word in Conversation

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Wisdom: Well, hello there! I think we might know each other.

Word: So wonderful to meet up with you, Sophia!

Wisdom: That's my name! One of them anyway. The Israelites used to call me Hochmah – that's their word for Wisdom. But really, I'm not particular on the name. People can call me Wisdom, if that's easier to say.

Word: I have different names too. The Gospel of John called me Logos – the Word. And I've always thought the two of us make a good pair!

Wisdom: Well, we've known each other a long time. Since the creation of the world!

Word: Why, yes! Ha ha! That's been a few years, hasn't it? I forget about a lot of things, but it's hard to forget those marvelous and wondrous days.

Wisdom: And we were both with God at that time. God appointed me from eternity, before there were oceans, mountains, fields, or anything. They were days of great delight!

Word: I was God's decree to bring everything into being. Nothing was made without me. I was the source of life, the light for people.

Wisdom: And I was God's ingenuity. God never had any plan or intention for creation or for those silly human beings without me!

Word: I don't doubt that one minute! You know the thrill of my life wasn't creation, thrilling as that was. It's when I got a human body. I was born on this earth as Jesus of Nazareth. They weren't easy years. But that was sure the best speech I ever gave!

Wisdom: I quite agree, my dear Logos. And you continue to speak – don't forget that.

Word: Sure, I do. So, what about you? What's your favorite memory of all time?

Wisdom: Well, you say you became flesh in Jesus. I *acted* through Jesus. Jesus was well-aware of it too. On one occasion, he actually said, "Wisdom is proved right by her deeds." People were always amazed at how much of me Jesus had!

Word: I'm glad Jesus paid attention to you, Sophia. It always pains me to see so many people completely ignore you. And they always pay for it in the end.

Wisdom: Jesus embodied you and put me into action, so that others can follow in that way. What thrill to be a part of this drama of salvation! I'm so glad for that, and I'm hopeful.

Word: God's not finished. Our dear friend Spirit keeps blowing strong!

Wisdom: That she does! ...OK, Logos, we'll talk again soon!

Word: Alright, I'm not going anywhere.