
How to Know

The Path to Personal Faith

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Lesson Two

What's So Special About Jesus?

People are people. Right? Even the great ones have their problems. If you haven't found their weak spots yet, you just haven't seen them in the right situation. That's all good wisdom, until you get to Jesus. He's different. Not just better mind you, but radically different. In fact, if He is who He says He is, you've never met anyone else like Him. You need to know the truth about the real Jesus!

Thinking it through . . .

1. **What did God tell Mary about Jesus before He was conceived?**
Luke 1:26-33
2. **What made Jesus' birth different than any other?**
Matthew 1:18-25
3. **When did Jesus' life begin?**
John 1:1-3
4. **What did Jesus do to distinguish Himself from everyone else?**
Acts 2:22
5. **What did Jesus claim to be able to do?**
Matthew 9:2-8
6. **Who did Jesus say He was?**
John 10:24-38
7. **What did Jesus predict?**
Matthew 16:21

8. **What happened to Jesus after He died?**
Acts 2:29-32
9. **What was the concluding event of Jesus' time on earth?**
Luke 24:50-53
10. **What did Jesus say He would do in the future?**
John 14:1-3

Getting the point . . .

Some years ago, a scholar names C.S. Lewis from Oxford University examined the biblical accounts of Jesus Christ and discovered the amazing truth about His identity. Lewis wrote: "A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic--on a level with a man who says he is a poached egg--or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God; or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon, or you can fall at His feet and call him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to."

The Bible portrays Jesus as God, come to Earth as a man, who returned to heaven again as God. Is that your view of Jesus?

Wrapping it up . . .

From what we've studied today, I understand that Jesus is different because . . .