

Connection Group

#Jesus- Week 1

Questions: This week's questions pertain to the deity of Christ.

The Name Jesus Christ is more than a name, it is a title.

- What does the name Jesus Christ Mean?
- How does the name Jesus Christ reveal the type of ministry Jesus would lead?
- How might understanding his name help someone understand Jesus?

God the Father Spoke at the Baptism of Jesus. His words in Mark 1 mean more than "the Father is happy with Jesus".

- How Does God the Father's statement in Mark 1 help us understand the type of ministry Jesus would lead? (The Father quotes Isaiah 42:1 and Ps 2:7)
- Why would this be important for the Jewish people to know?
- Why is the Fathers statement about Jesus important for us to recognize?

Son of God- We can mistakenly apply 21st century meaning to biblical words and phrases. This is often true with the phrase "only begotten Son of God".

- What does the phrase "Only begotten Son of God" mean (John 3:18 KJV)?
- Why is it important to understand this term in biblical language?
- How can we wrongly interpret it today?
- How would you rephrase the term to best articulate it in today's culture?
- How does Colossians 2:9, or Colossians 1:15a further explain the Phrase "only begotten Son of God"?

Conclusion

- Why is it important to understand who Jesus is?
- What difference should it make in my life when I understand who Christ is?
- How might the biblical Identity of Jesus help us to trust the promises of Jesus?
- Do you have a favorite story about that reveals a role Jesus fulfills and gives you hope?

Further Personal Study: on the Deity of Jesus.

- Read John 8:55-59 and Exodus 3:14. What made the individuals so angry in this passage? What truth did Jesus claim?
- Read John 10:30-33. What angered the individuals in this story? What truth did Jesus claim? Why is this important for us to recognize the significance of this story?
- Read Colossians 1:15-20. How does Paul want us to picture Jesus in this passage? Why should this matter to you?
- Read John 20:24-29. How did Thomas respond to Jesus? How did Jesus respond to Thomas? Why do you think the author wanted us to know this story?
- Read John 1:1-4,14. What is the author teaching us about Jesus?

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