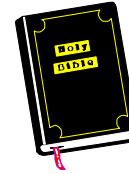


WEST COLUMBIA CHURCH OF CHRIST



“every disciple that is perfect shall be as his master.” Luke 6:40b

Who Is Jesus?

How would you respond if someone asked you today: "Who is Jesus?" Would you tell them of the virgin birth (Matt. 1:23)? Would you speak of all the good things Jesus did, especially the miraculous healings (Acts 10:38)? Would you talk about all the Old Testament prophecies He fulfilled which prove Him to be the Messiah (Luke 24:44)? Would you detail the last day of His life where He was betrayed, tried, and brutally executed on a cross (Matt. 26 & 27)? Would you expound upon His resurrection and explain what it means to the faithful today (Matt. 28 & I Cor. 15)? Certainly all of these points (and others) are worthy of mention when one speaks about Jesus of Nazareth.

But, where would you go if you could only turn to one passage of Scripture to teach about Jesus? Although there is no single passage that encapsulates all of the major ideas we mentioned a moment ago, there is one passage that comes to my mind that seems to declare who Jesus is to a great degree of depth. I'm referring to the first chapter in John's account of the gospel. At this time, let us briefly highlight some of the marvelous descriptions of Jesus found within this wonderful chapter.

According to John's prologue:

1. Jesus is eternal, having existed with God from the beginning (1:1),
2. Jesus is deity for He is declared to be God (1:1),
3. Jesus is the agent by which all things were created--nothing was made without Him (1:3),
4. Jesus is the means and source of moral life (1:4),
5. Jesus is the one that John the baptizer bore witness of and prepared the way for (1:7),
6. Jesus is the true Light for mankind (1:8),
7. Jesus became flesh and dwelt among men (1:14),
8. Jesus was characterized by a unique kind of glory--He is truly one-of-a-kind (1:14),
9. Jesus is the means and source of abundant grace (1:16),
10. Jesus is the means and source of ultimate truth (1:17),
11. Jesus is the only begotten Son of God (1:18),
12. Jesus showed the world who the Father is, even though no one has seen God at any time (1:18),
13. Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (1:29),

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**"The wicked borroweth and payeth not again:
but the righteous showeth mercy, and giveth." - Psalm 37:21**

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“PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER” - James 5:16

- **REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** *Margaret Herring, Jimmy Gist, Jean Godley, Amy Wintermute, Lamar Reeves, Nina Ruth Meadows* (Marcella Klieves' mother), **Jack and Elma Berrier, Lynn Drago** (Jerry's sister) and **Phyllis Johnson**.
- **Evan Roberson** requests prayers for his grandmother Margaret Holland who fell and broke her hip.
- **Ed and Jan Kelleher** request prayers for **Flo Johnson** who is facing cancer surgery again.
- **Ron and Margie Banks** request prayers for their son-in-law **James Driggers** who has been diagnosed with cancer.
- **Jean Boyd** is not well, all her vitals are low. Please pray for her.
- Keep **Kelly Kennedy** and the family in your prayers as they're watching some suspicious tumors in her neck and head.
- **Marilyn Brooks** is still in Richland Memorial Hospital.
- We have many that are ill: **Jean Boyd, Eddie Sheppard, Margaret Herring, Marilyn Brooks, Ron Banks, Deborah Stoyk, and Margie DeYoung**.
- Remember all these in your prayers. Write them a card, give them a call, let them know you're praying for them and see if they'd like a visit:
- **Brother Manning** has many Bible studies during the week, remember them.
- **Lamar Reeves** address while he is attending the Central Carolina school of preaching is: **1042 Marina Ln, Sumter, SC 29153**

"My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever." - Psalm 73:26

“AND THEY CONTINUED STEADFASTLY” - Acts 2:42

- **Encourage your brothers and sisters, for whom Christ died;** Get a copy of the **church directory** and give a call to those you've not seen or had a chance to talk much with recently.
- **REMEMBER! Gospel Meeting** with **David Pharr** coming up Sep 12-15!
- **Building Cleanup** volunteers needed!
- **Youth Devo SATURDAYS 7 pm.**
- **Ron Banks** needs some help mowing his lawn if you're able (it's not big).
- **GOSPEL MEETING**—1st Sunday **fellowship meal POSTPONED** till 2nd Sunday!
- **GOSPEL MEETING**—All are encouraged to stay after the evening meetings: Sun 6pm, Mon-Wed 7pm, to meet with visitors, each other, and discuss the sermon. Bring some finger foods and drinks to share. See **Marcella Klieves** to coordinate this if you'd like.

"This is my commandment, that ye love one another, as I have loved you." - John 15:12

OBEY GOD AND ... OUT WITH SIN IN 2010!

WHO IS JESUS? - According to John's prologue: *(continued from page 1)*

14. Jesus was anointed with the Holy Spirit and would baptize others with the Holy Spirit (1:33),
15. Jesus is Messiah or Christ (1:41),
16. Jesus was written about by Moses and the prophets (1:45), and
17. Jesus is the King of Israel (1:49).

When reading John's introduction to his account of the gospel, it's almost as if someone inquired of the apostle: "Who is Jesus?" And John responds magnificently, via his inspired pen, as if to say: *"Here is my announcement of who Jesus Christ is. Here are some of His awesome attributes. Anyone who possesses these attributes has to be divine. In the remainder of this book, I will proceed to prove to you that He did indeed possess these attributes."*

As one continues reading in the fourth account of the gospel, it is easy to see that John did exactly that. John wrote this amazing book, which included many of Jesus' miracles, in order that those who read it **"may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing [they] may have life in his name"** (John 20:30,31). Friends, do you genuinely believe in Jesus the Christ? Are you His friend (John 15:14)? Do you love Him (John 14:15)? [Read these scriptures and the rest of the book of John and learn what Jesus wants from you.—Editor]

- **Stephen R. Bradd**, Gospel Preacher, Clinton church of Christ, Clinton, IL

GOSPEL MEETING/GRANDPARENTS DAY/FELLOWSHIP MEAL: The September 1st Sunday **fellowship meal will be postponed** until the 2nd Sunday (9/12) as it will be the first day of our gospel meeting. As it is also Grandparents Day, we are encouraging you to invite your grandparents and great grandparents to the gospel meeting and stay for the fellowship meal after the morning worship service. If you do not have any grandparents able to come this day, then adopt some and grandparents if you do not have any grandchildren able to attend, then adopt some!

GO YE!

Remember our Gospel Meeting with **David Pharr**, 9/12-15. David will preach the Gospel. Those that hear will be mightily convinced—or condemned. BUT! They need to be there to hear—that's our job—to invite people to the meeting to hear the word of God.

“Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage.” - Matthew 22:9

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” - Matthew 28:19,20

“Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.” - Mark 16:15

(Remember, we all must give account on judgment day—2 Cor 5:10)