

III. Video: "Who is Jesus?"

**For us to KNOW Jesus we must understand WHO HE IS and WHAT HE DID.**

## I. Who JESUS IS

- **Jesus is the I \_\_\_\_\_ God/Man--Fully God/Fully Man**

Understanding the dual nature of Jesus is crucial to the gospel. People will allow Him to be a good man, or a prophet (human) but many deny that He is the Son of God.

### **I John 4: 2-3**

*<sup>2</sup> This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, <sup>3</sup> but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.*

### **John 3:16**

*16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him will have eternal life.*

### **Matthew 3: 16-17**

*<sup>16</sup> As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."*

- **Jesus is God's One and only Begotten Son**

### **Matthew 1: 20-23**

*But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. <sup>21</sup>She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." <sup>22</sup>All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: <sup>23</sup>"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him "Immanuel" which means, "God with us."*

- **Jesus was conceived by the Holy Spirit.**
- **Jesus was born of a virgin.**
- **Jesus and God, the Father are ONE.**

### **John 14:8-11**

*<sup>8</sup> Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."*

*<sup>9</sup> Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?"*

*<sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. <sup>11</sup> Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.*

- Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ with all our suffering.

### Hebrews 2: 17-18

<sup>17</sup>For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for<sup>[a]</sup> the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup>Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

### Hebrews 4:14-16

<sup>14</sup>Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens,<sup>[a]</sup> Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet was without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

### John 14:1-5, 14

<sup>6</sup>Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

- Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life
- There is NO OTHER WAY to SALVATION and ETERNAL LIFE.

### John 1: 1-14

<sup>1</sup>In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup>He was with God in the beginning.

<sup>3</sup>Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. <sup>4</sup>In him was life, and that life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup>The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood<sup>[a]</sup> it.

<sup>14</sup>The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only,<sup>[a]</sup> who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

- He was from the BEGINNING-the great I AM
- He was WITH God in the beginning.
- He WAS God.
- All things were made BY Him.
- In Him was LIFE.
- He became flesh and dwelled among us.
- He came filled with GRACE & TRUTH.

## JESUS IS LORD OF A \_\_\_\_!

Note: This is where there is confusion and controversy about Jesus.

He has ALWAYS been Lord and He BECAME Savior when He completed his work on the cross.

Jesus is Lord of ALL!

### Hebrews 1:3

The Son is the radiance of the Father's glory and the exact representation of His being sustaining all things through His powerful words. After He had provided for the purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

### Acts 2:36

Therefore, let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made him both LORD and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.

GOD made him BOTH LORD and CHRIST (Savior, Messiah)

### **Philippians 2:9-11**

Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,<sup>11</sup> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

- **EVERY KNEE WILL BOW and EVERY TONGUE C\_\_\_\_\_ that JESUS IS LORD**

### **Romans 10: 8-9**

*8But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,"<sup>[a]</sup> that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming: 9That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.*

The Greek word for Lord in the New Testament is "KURIOS" and is the same word translated as ADONAI from the Old Testament.

- It literally means LORD or MASTER.
- Confessing Jesus as LORD sent many 1<sup>st</sup> and later century believers to their deaths because they called Jesus "LORD" instead of paying homage to Caesar.

## **What does this mean for us today?**

**A life surrendered to the Lordship of Christ requires two things:**

### **1. Complete s\_\_\_\_\_**

- We must follow Christ in all aspects of our lives.

**"Jesus will not be a part-time King with a duplex for a throne." (Adrian Rogers)**

### **Matthew 6:24**

*"No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and Money. (the world)*

### **Matthew 12: 30**

*"He who is not with me is against me, and he who does not gather with me scatters."*

### **James 4: 4-5**

*"You adulterous generation! Don't you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend to the world becomes an enemy of God."*

### **Romans 12:2**

*"Do not conform any longer to the patterns of this world BUT be transformed by the renewing of your mind. THEN, you will be able to test and approve what God's will is---his good, pleasing, and perfect will.*

**Gnosis—to know ABOUT:** knowing about GOD or a token statement of belief in Him DOES NOT EQUAL SALVATION.

### **James 2: 19**

*"You believe in one God. That's fine. Even the demons believe and tremble with fear."*

**KNOWING CHRIST—BEING SAVED means REPENTANCE from our sins, and submission to His Lordship in our lives.**

## 2. Complete O\_\_\_\_\_.

### **Luke 6:46**

*"Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord' and do not do what I say?"*

### **Matthew 7:21-23**

*"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven. Many will say to Me on that day: 'Lord, Lord,' did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles? And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, who practice lawlessness.*

**Those Jesus is speaking to in these verses were DOING THINGS in His name, they were CALLING HIM LORD, but they DID NOT KNOW HIM as LORD.**

### **Summary of WHO JESUS IS**

- **Jesus is the Infinite GOD/MAN**
- **He is the ONLY WAY to eternal life.**
- **He was from the beginning---he was WITH GOD and He WAS GOD**
- **He identifies with our suffering and is the only mediator between God and humans**
- **He is the EXACT representation of God.**
- **He IS, ALWAYS HAS BEEN and WILL ALWAYS BE LORD.**
- **He BECAME Savior when He willingly GAVE HIMSELF so that we might have eternal life.**
- **Jesus IS BOTH SAVIOR and LORD**
- **A CHANGED LIFE is the result of surrender to the LORDSHIP of CHRIST and requires:**
  - **Complete submission**
  - **Complete obedience**