

Jesus
Essentials: Live Like You Believe
April 25, 2021

Notes:

Jesus is...

Fully God and Fully Man.

The Promised Messiah.

God with Us - Emmanuel.

Lord and Savior.

Prophet, Priest, and King.

Questions for Personal Reflection & Group Discussion

1. Read Genesis 1:1-3 and John 1:1-5, and verse 14.

What did God do in verse 3 to create light?

What name for Jesus do you find in John 1:1?

What significance do you see between God's method of creating in Genesis 1 and the name for Jesus in John 1?

2. Read Philippians 2:6-11.

What characteristics of Jesus do you find in this passage?

What do you think it means that Jesus did not think "equality with God" was something to cling to or grasp?

What do you think Jesus gave up to become human?

3. Read Colossians 1:15-20, Hebrews 9:11-15, and 10:11-15.

Why does it matter that Jesus is fully God? What reasons do you find in each of these passages?

4. Read Romans 5:12-19, and 1 Corinthians 15:20-22.

Why does it matter that Jesus was fully man? What answers do you find in these passages?

5. Read Isaiah 8:13-14, Luke 2:25-35, and 20:9-19.

What prophecies were fulfilled in the Luke passages?

What did Simeon prophesy to Mary?

How does Jesus' fulfillment of more than 300 prophecies strengthen your faith?

6. Read John 1:14, Hebrews 2:17-18.

What does it mean to you that Jesus knows what it's like to be human?

For what two reasons (from the Hebrews passage) did Jesus come to be with us?

How does this truth – that Jesus came near, that He understands our humanity – impact your thinking and your day-to-day living?

7. Read 2 Corinthians 5:21 and Romans 3:10-26.

From 2 Corinthians 5:21, why did Jesus pay the penalty for our sin?

From Romans 3:10-26, why was it necessary for Jesus to die?

What does Jesus' death on the cross mean to you?

8. Read Hebrews 4:14-16 and Hebrews 1:7-8, 12:2.

From Hebrews 4:14-16, how are we able to approach God's throne? What do we find when we get there?

From the verses in Hebrews 1 and 12, what do you learn about the kingship of Jesus? What response do you have to these truths?

In light of all you have learned, what next step do you need to take in your walk with God?