

## Slide- A Bible OverView Session 9: Jesus' Teachings

### Summary Slide- Creation & Relationships:

- God **created** the universe
- God **created** people in His image
- God is **sovereign** (Lord of all)
- People have **disobedient hearts**
- People need rescue from God's righteous **judgment**
- God's rescue plan: a coming **Redeemer**

### Summary Slide: God's Covenants (Promises)

- God's **Covenant** with Noah
  - **Rainbow**-God will not repeat worldwide flood
- God's **Covenant** with Abram
  - Land, Nation, Blessing
- God's **Covenant** with Jewish Nation (Mosaic)
  - 10 Commandments (Standard for righteousness)
  - System for forgiveness (**grace**)
  - Rules for living (**grace**)

### Summary Slide: The Struggle to **Obey**

- Hebrews enter the Promised Land
- Judges: 300 years & sin cycles
- United Kingdom: 3 Kings: Saul, David, Solomon
- Divided Kingdom: Israel conquered by Assyria & Judah by Babylon
- Persian King allowed Jews to return to Jerusalem
- God silent for 400 years: Greek and then Roman dominion

### Summary Slide: **Redeemer** Arrives-Named Jesus

- Jesus' birth fulfilled prophecies:
  - Conceived by the Holy Spirit
  - Born to a virgin
  - Line of promised **Redeemer** in both Mary & Joseph's lineage
  - Birth place- Bethlehem
- Called the Lord's Messiah by Simeon
- Jesus grew in wisdom and stature

### Summary Slide: Jesus - Fully God & Fully Man

- Jesus' baptism- Trinity present
- Jesus resists Satan's temptations using Scripture

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- In various conversations, Jesus' claims to be God are understood
- **Heart** belief /**faith** means "to trust in, rely on, adhere to" (Jesus)

**Start Video- SR-09A Start Jesus' Teachings**

**Welcome to Session 9 of A Bible OverView called: Jesus' Teachings**

Just as we learned about Jesus through conversations, we will now learn who He is through the supernatural miracles He performed and what He taught.

Jesus' miracles can be categorized in five basic ways.

First, are physical healings. Jesus healed the blind, the lame, the deaf, and the sick. (**sovereign God, relationship with God, spiritual conflict, human heart, grace, faith, obedience, remember**)

Second, Jesus had power over nature. (**Creator/sovereign God, grace, faith**)

Third, Jesus multiplied food. (**sovereign God, grace, faith**)

Fourth, Jesus raised three people from the dead. (**sovereign God, grace, faith**)

- For clarification purposes, as amazing as this was, these people would still go on to die a physical death whereas Jesus, when resurrected, never died again.

And fifth, Jesus had authority over the spirit world as He cast out demons from many people. (**spiritual conflict**)

Another way to learn about Jesus is by hearing what He taught through the use of parables.

Parables are brief stories with earthly comparisons that illustrate and teach spiritual truths. They are on ten basic topics.

One, is the Kingdom of God and how His kingdom is a spiritual one. (**God is sovereign, the human heart, faith, judgment, grace, Redeemer, obedience, and relationship with God**)

A second topic, is about having servant hearts. (**human heart, obedience, relationship with others**)

A third, is about prayer. Let's read **Luke 18:9-14-**

*9 To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everyone else, Jesus told this parable: 10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. 12 I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' 13 "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." (heart, obedience; relationship with God)*

A fourth, is about how to be a good neighbor. **Let's read Luke 10:30-37-**

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*30 In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. 31 A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. 32 So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. 33 But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. 34 He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. 35 The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'*

*36 "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"*

*37 The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him."*

*Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." (human heart, relationships with others)*

Fifth, is about the need for humility. (human heart)

Sixth, is the topic of wealth. Let's read **Luke 12:13-21-**

*13 Someone in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."*

*14 Jesus replied, "Man, who appointed me a judge or an arbiter between you?"*

*15 Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions."*

*16 And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded an abundant harvest. 17 He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.'*

*18 "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. 19 And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry.'"*

*20 "But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?'*

*21 "This is how it will be with whoever stores up things for themselves but is not rich toward God." (judgment, human heart, and relationship with God)*

Seventh, is about God's love. Let's read **Luke 15:11-32-**

11 Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. 12 The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them.

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*13 "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. 14 After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need. 15 So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. 16 He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything.*

*17 "When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! 18 I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. 19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' 20 So he got up and went to his father.*

*"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.*

*21 "The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.'*

*22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. 23 Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. 24 For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.*

*25 "Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. 26 So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 27 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'*

*28 "The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. 29 But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. 30 But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!'*

*31 "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. 32 But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'"* (human heart, grace, and relationship with God)

An eight topic, is about the need to be thankful.

Ninth, Jesus taught He would be coming back to earth and people should be ready for His return.

And tenth, are parables about God's values.

**[End Video- SR-09A Start Jesus' Teachings](#)** (info above: miracles, parable topics)

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**Slide: Jesus' Miracles**

- Healed blind, lame, deaf, & sick
  - Power over nature
  - Multiplied food
  - Raised people from the dead
  - Authority over spirit world
- Do you know of any religious leader who performed miracles like this?
    - No other religious leader did miracles like Jesus.
    - No other religious book claims their leader did miracles or has proof of any miracles claimed to have been done by their leader. (see: <https://evidenceforchristianity.org/is-jesus-the-only-important-religious-leader-who-performed-miracles/>)

**Slide: Jesus' Parables**

(Earthly story to help people understand and apply God's truths)  
(About 35 in books of Mathew, Mark & Luke)

- Spiritual kingdom
- Servant heart
- Prayer
- Good neighbor
- Wealth
- Father with two sons

**Slide: Parables**

- What does the parable of the Good Samaritan say about Jesus' view of human life? Luke 18:9-14
  - He values each person. Compassion for each person is important.
- According to the parable of the rich man who stored up wealth and then died, what points does Jesus make about wealth/possessions? Luke 12:13-21
  - They mean nothing when you die and then face God for how you lived your life.

**Slide: Prodigal Son- Loving Father**

- Regarding the parable of what's commonly called the prodigal son, someone has said it should be called the parable of the loving Father. Why? Luke 15:11-32
  - The Father was always looking for the son to return.
  - When the Father saw him return He ran to him to greet him and welcome him back into the family.

**Start Video SR-09B Jesus' Claims**

Another way to learn about Jesus is through claims He made about why He came into the world. In our last session, which focused on conversations Jesus had with various people and groups, we saw

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Him repeatedly claimed to be equal with God the Father. Indeed, that was why the Pharisees wanted to kill Him. We'll now look at more claims Jesus made.

First, Jesus said He came to preach the "*good news of the Kingdom of God*". (grace)

Second, is in **Luke 19:10-**

*10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.*" (Redeemer)

Jesus also said He came to "*testify to the truth.*" (John 18:37) (sovereign God, grace, faith)

Then in John chapter 10, Jesus compared people to sheep and points out that although there is a wolf who wants to steal and destroy them, He is their Good Shepherd who would lay down His life for them. He also likens Himself to the gate through which the sheep safely enter the pen. Thus, Jesus said, "*I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.*" (relationship with God, grace, spiritual conflict)

Next is **Matthew 20:25-28-**

*25 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 26 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 27 and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."* (human heart, obedience, grace, Redeemer)

Jesus also knew He came into the world to be crucified and be resurrected. (sovereign God, blood sacrifice)

All in all, Jesus' personal claims were unique. No other religious leader said these things about himself.

**[End Video SR-09B Jesus' Claims](#)** (info above: Jesus' "I came to" claims)

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Jesus: "*For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.*" Luke 19:10

Jesus: "... *the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth.*" John 18:37

Jesus: "... *just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.*" Matthew 20:28

- Name some differences between Jesus' claims and other religious leaders?
  - He came from Heaven (He is divine in doing so)
  - He came to testify to the truth.
  - His purpose was to seek lost people and then save them
  - His life was one of a servant and we are to follow His example
  - His specific way of serving was to give His life to ransom many.

**Start Video SR-09C - Topics**

Next, we'll look at different topics Jesus taught about.

- **Matthew 6:19-21-**

*19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. (human heart, relationship with God)*

- **Matthew 7:24-29-**

*24 "Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock. 25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock. 26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. 27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash."*

*28 When Jesus had finished saying these things, the crowds were amazed at his teaching, 29 because he taught as one who had authority, and not as their teachers of the law. (human heart, faith, obedience)*

- **Matthew 5:43-44-**

- *43 "You have heard that it was said, 'Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..." (spiritual conflict, human heart, obedience, relationships with others)*

- **Matthew 7:13-14-**

*13 "Enter through the narrow gate. For wide is the gate and broad is the road that leads to destruction, and many enter through it." (relationship with God)*

- **Luke 20:45-47-**

*45 While all the people were listening, Jesus said to his disciples, 46 "Beware of the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and love to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. 47 They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."*

- Jesus also addressed worry and why we shouldn't worry. (heart of man, faith, obedience)
- And He taught about the importance of children. (faith and grace)
- Another topic was that He would come back to earth again. (sovereign God)



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- Jesus also taught that giving, praying, and fasting should be done in secret and not for public approval. (**heart; judgment**)
- In addition, Jesus taught about prayer. A specific prayer He taught His disciples is a prayer which, today, is repeated in many Christian churches every worship service. It is called the "Lord's Prayer." It's in **Luke 11:1-4-**

*One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." 2 He said to them, "When you pray, say:  
"Father, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come.  
3 Give us each day our daily bread.  
4 Forgive us our sins,  
for we also forgive everyone who sins against us.  
And lead us not into temptation."*

Note: 69% of Jesus' words were application which is our theme of **obedience**.

The next few verses come from John chapters 13-17 which are five chapters devoted to Jesus' last words to His disciples. He knew what was ahead of Him so His last words are filled with serious and comforting thoughts.

**John 13:34-35-**

*34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."  
(grace, relationship with others)*

**John 14:1-3-**

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. 2 My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. (grace, , faith)*

**John 14:27-**

*27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. (grace)*

**John 15:18-27-**

*18 "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first. 19 If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. 20 Remember what I told you: 'A servant is not*



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*greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also. 21 They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the one who sent me. 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not be guilty of sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin. 23 Whoever hates me hates my Father as well. 24 If I had not done among them the works no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin. As it is, they have seen, and yet they have hated both me and my Father. 25 But this is to fulfill what is written in their Law: 'They hated me without reason.'* 26 "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. 27 And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning. (obedience, spiritual conflict, grace, human heart, remember, judgment)

**John 16:33-**

*33 "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."* (grace, faith)

**Chapter 17** is a wonderful prayer Jesus says for His disciples and future believers. (creator/sovereign God, grace, spiritual conflict, obedience, relationship with God and others, human heart)

**End Video SR-09C – Topics** (info above: topics, Lord's prayer, John 13-16 quotes)

**Slide- Jesus Taught:**

Jesus: "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven... For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matt. 6:20-21

Jesus: "...everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man... 26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand." Matt. 7:24-29

- What does Jesus teach about the **human heart**?
  - Whatever we focus our life on and thus live out reveals what's in our hearts.
- What does Jesus teach about **obedience**?
  - We are to live out what Jesus says is and thus be wise in the way to live. If we only hear His words and then do not live accordingly, we are fools and will reap the consequences.

**Slide- Jesus Taught:**

Jesus: "But I tell you love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you," Matthew 5:44

- How is: "love your enemies & pray for those who persecute you" a very difficult teaching?
  - We want vengeance/justice. To love enemies is not our natural response.
  - This teaching has impressed people towards wanting to know who Jesus is.
  - We need God's help to forgive others.

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**Slide: Jesus taught:**

Jesus: *"If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first."* John 15:18

Jesus: *'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also.'* John 15:20

- What does Jesus tell us about the relationship between God and the world?
  - Although God is the "master", often those in the world hate God.
  - People hated and persecuted Jesus.
  - Thus, "the world" will hate/persecute Jesus' followers

**Slide: Jesus taught:**

This is the first of Jesus' three predictions of His death:

Jesus: *"The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life."* Luke 9:22

- Why did Jesus use the word "must"?
  - It had to happen to fulfill prophecy
  - He came to die and rise again. It had to happen.

**Slide: Jesus taught:**

Jesus: *"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."* John 16:33

- Jesus told us about persecution and trouble? Why?
  - Because it is reality and God deals in reality.
- What has He done?
  - He has overcome our troubles.
  - He is our peace in our troubles.
- Why is it comforting to know Jesus overcomes the world?
  - Because God acknowledges life is tough, it comforts us He understands our human condition.

**Video SR-09D The Transfiguration**

We'll end this session reading an amazing event in **Luke 9:28-36-**

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*28 About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. 29 As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. 30 Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. 31 They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. 32 Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. 33 As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)*

*34 While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. 35 A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." 36 When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen. (sovereign God, blood sacrifice, human heart, Redeemer)*

- This passage gives us a glimpse of the glory of eternity. Moses and Elijah had been physically dead for a long time. But, here they are alive and recognizable! This gives us an idea of what our new bodies will be someday.

**End Video SR-09D The Transfiguration** (info above: Transfiguration)

**Slide: A Glance at the Kingdom of God**

Eight days after Jesus' first prediction of his death:

*29 As he [Jesus] was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. 30 Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. Luke 9:29-30*

God: "...*This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him.*" Luke 9:35

- What does the Transfiguration tell us about Jesus and His Kingdom?
  - It is not of this world.
  - His transfigured body gives us a glimpse of what our glorified bodies will be like
  - Those who had died a long time ago were alive and recognizable

**Start Video SR-09E Is Jesus God?**

In this session we had a brief overview of who Jesus is by looking at His miracles, parables, claims about Himself, and teachings. Jesus made truly unique claims! The question is: are His claims true? When we look at His claims, we're left with 3 options: Jesus was either a:

Liar, because He claimed to be God who had the authority to forgive sins and grant eternal life  
OR He was a

Lunatic, making claims that were psychologically imbalanced and out of touch with reality  
OR He is the

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Lord.

In our next session we will learn what took place during Jesus' final week on earth.

**End Video SR-09E Is Jesus God?** (Info above: Jesus is either liar, lunatic or Lord)

**Slide- Jesus says He is God! Is He?**

Is Jesus a Liar?

Can you be a good person and a liar at the same time?

Is Jesus a Lunatic?

Would a Lunatic be able to say and do the things Jesus said and did?

Is Jesus Lord as He claims?

What is the alternative?

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