



Just Jesus

Seeing Jesus as He Truly Is

Bible Study

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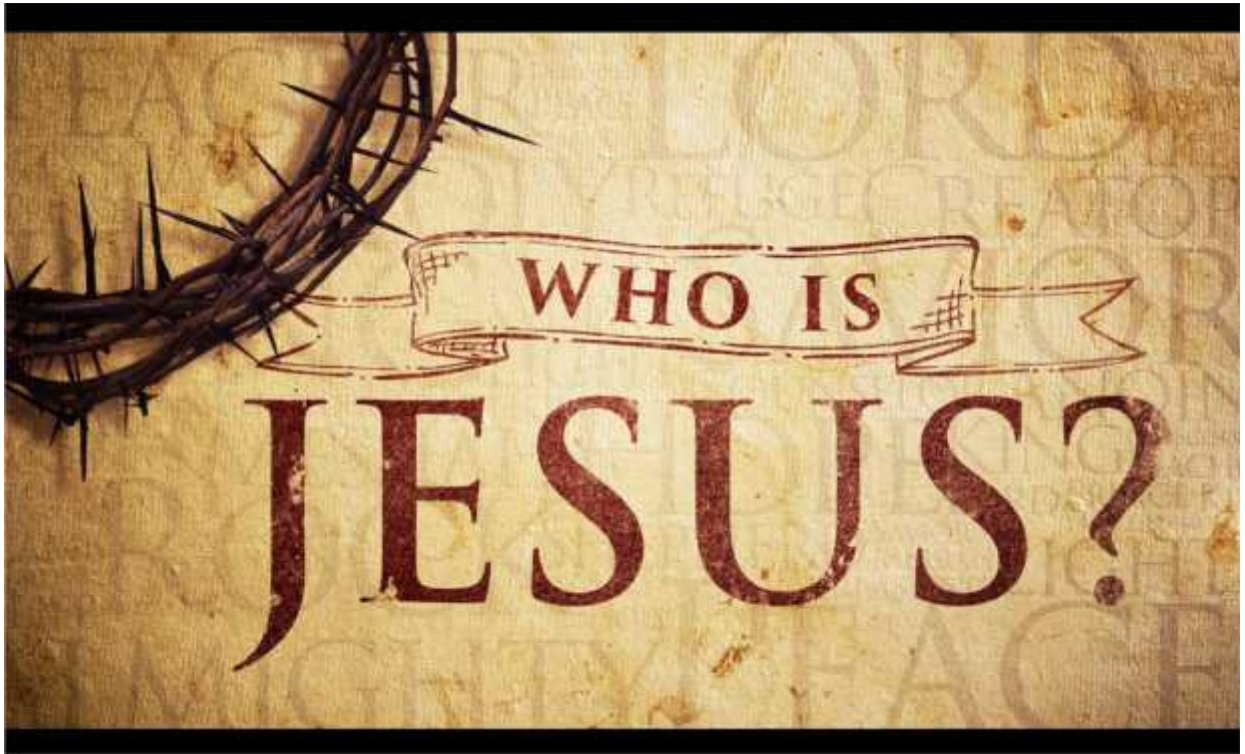
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Section One



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“When the Sabbath came, he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished. ‘Where did this man get these things?’ they said. ‘What is this wisdom that has been given to him, and how are these miracles performed by his hands? Isn’t this the carpenter, the son of Mary, and the brother of James, Joses, and Simon? And aren’t his sisters here with us?’ So they were offended by him.” (Mark 6:2-3, HCSB)

“When he entered the temple, the chief priests and elders of the people came to him as he was teaching and said, ‘By what authority are you doing these things? Who gave you this authority?’” (Matthew 21:23, HCSB)

“Those who were at the table with him began to say among themselves, ‘Who is this man who even forgives sins?’” (Luke 7:49, HCSB)

“And they were terrified and asked one another, ‘Who then is this? Even the wind and the sea obey him!’” (Mark 4:41, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

1. While _____ like us in his incarnation, Jesus is _____ from us. (Philippians 2:6-8)
 - Residing within the person of Jesus Christ are _____, one _____ and one _____.
 - The two distinct natures are inseparable. Jesus is both fully God and fully Man in one Person. (Hypostatic Union).
 - There never was a time in his life that he was not already what the resurrection disclosed him to be – the Son of God
 - Jesus does not derive his being from his Father. Jesus (God the Son) and the Father are co-eternal, co-equal, and co-existent. (Jesus is not a second god).

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God ... The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.” (John 1:1, 14, HCSB)

“What was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have observed and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life – that life was revealed, and we have seen it and we testify and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us” (1 John 1:1-2, HCSB)

“Now since the children have flesh and blood in common, Jesus also shared in these, so that through his death he might destroy the one holding the power of death – that is, the devil –” (Hebrews 2:14, HCSB)

2. He is a God that can be _____ in an intimate way. (Philippians 3:10)

- To know Jesus means to have a _____ with him.
 - To know God is to seek Him.
 - As we seek Him, we learn to reverence Him which is the beginning of understanding.

“This is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and the one you have sent – Jesus Christ.” (John 17:3, HCSB)

“Jesus told them, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.’ (John 14:6, HCSB)

“But to all who did receive him, he gave them the right to be children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born, not of natural descent, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man, but of God.” (John 1:12-13, HCSB)

“The one who says, ‘I have come to know him,’ and yet doesn’t keep his commands, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.” (1 John 2:4, HCSB)

3. Jesus was anointed to perform the _____ office of prophet, priest, and king during his earthly ministry. (Acts 10:38)

State: To truly know Jesus, we must know what he taught as a prophet, what he offered as a priest, and how he exercises rule as a king

- As _____ because of the _____ and _____ that is inside us.

“I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him. I will hold accountable whoever does not listen to my words that he speaks in my name.” (Deuteronomy 18:18-19, HCSB)

“Long ago God spoke to the fathers by the prophets at different times and in different ways. In these last days, he has spoken to us by his Son.” (Hebrews 1:1-2a, HCSB)

“And they were offended by him. Jesus said to them, ‘A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and in his household.’ (Matthew 13:57, HCSB)

- As _____ because we are _____ and _____ from God. (1 Tim 2:5)

“Indeed, the Lord’s arm is not too weak to save, and his ear is not too deaf to hear. But your iniquities are separating you from your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not listen.” (Isaiah 59:1-2, HCSB)

“Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens – Jesus the Son of God – let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has been tempted in every way as we are, yet without sin.” (Hebrews 4:14-15, HCSB)

“Every priest stands day after day ministering and offering the same sacrifices time after time, which can never take away sins. But this man, after offering one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God.” (Hebrews 10:11-12, HCSB)

- As _____ because we are _____ the _____. (Colossians 1:13)

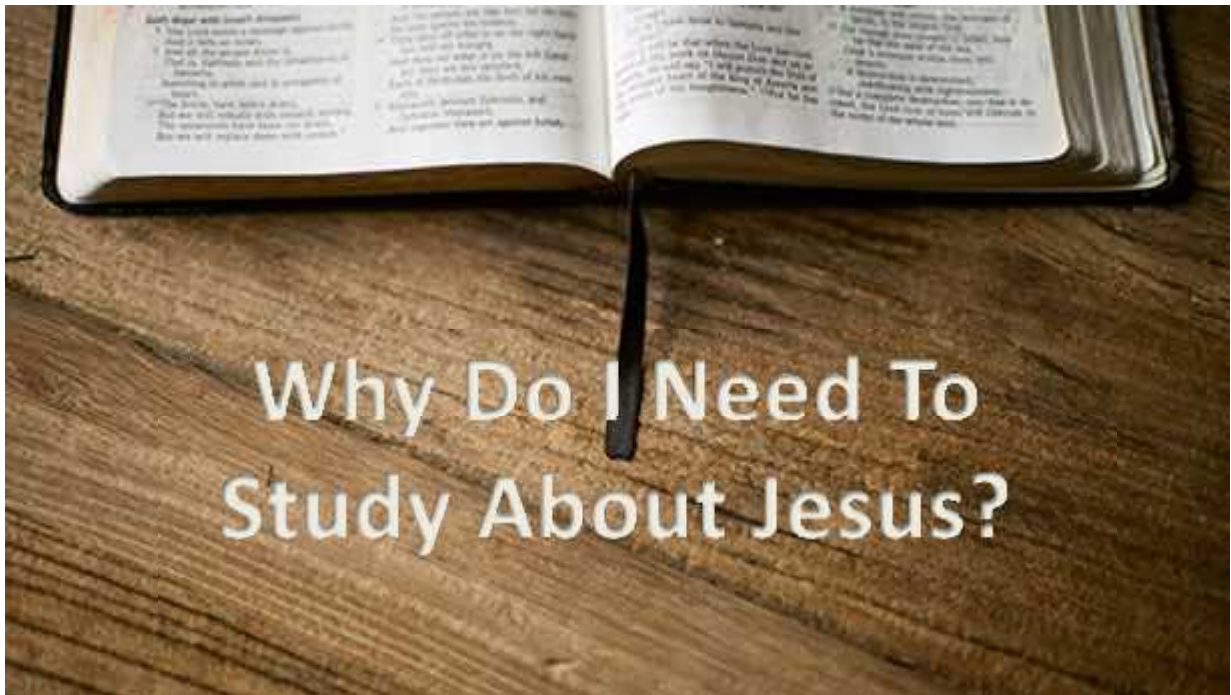
“Now Jesus stood before the governor. ‘Are you the King of the Jews?’ the governor asked him. Jesus answered, ‘You say so.’” (Matthew 27:11, HCSB)

“If I drive out demons by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.” (Luke 11:20, HCSB)

“For he must reign until he puts all his enemies under his feet.” (1 Corinthians 15:25, HCSB)

Remember: His offices are validated by his resurrection, ascension, and coming return.

Section Two



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“So they came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and requested of him, ‘Sir, we want to see Jesus.’” (John 12:21, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

1. He is the only means by which we can _____ God. (John 1:18)
 - God is fully _____ in him. (Col 1:19)
 - Displays God’s _____
 - Illustrates God’s _____
 - Manifests God’s _____
 - Exhibits God’s _____
 - Shows God’s _____
 - Demonstrates God’s _____
 - Makes known God’s _____
 - Unveils God’s _____
 - He faithfully and fully _____ God.
 - He _____ or _____ the things related to God.
 - Only he can _____ the Father.

“Jesus said to him, ‘Have I been among you all this time and you do not know me, Philip? The one who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father?’” (John 14:9, HCSB)

“Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God. He has seen the Father.” (John 6:46, HCSB)

“All things have been entrusted to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son desires to reveal him.” (Matthew 11:27, HCSB)

2. What we _____ about him impacts our eternal destination. (John 3:36)

- We MUST believe in:
 - His _____ (John 8:58)
 - His _____ (John 6:63)
 - His _____ (1 Cor 15:3-4)

State: We must not only trust in Jesus, but we must continually rely on him on a daily basis.
Faith is an action word.

“Truly I tell you, anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not come under judgment but has passed from death to life.” (John 5:24, HCSB)

“For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves; it is God’s gift” (Ephesians 2:8, HCSB)

“There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved.” (Acts 4:12, HCSB)

“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.” (Romans 10:9, HCSB)

3. His life is the _____ we follow to fulfill our purpose. (Romans 8:29)

- We should _____ him. (2 Cor 3:18)
- We are to _____ him. (Luke 9:23)

State: Following Jesus means striving to be like him.

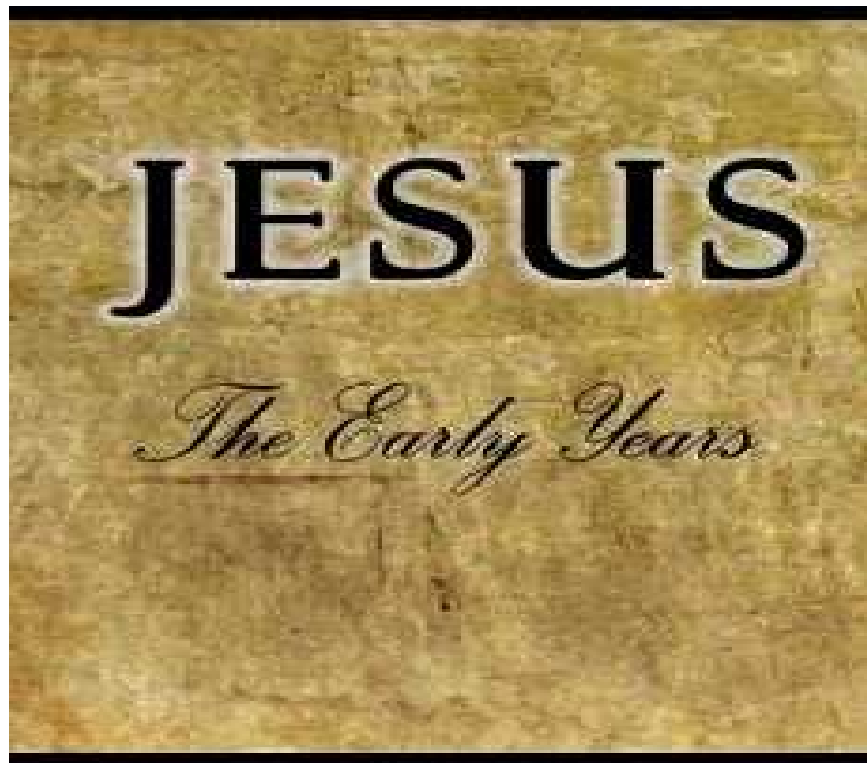
“Calling the crowd along with his disciples, he said to them, ‘If anyone wants to follow after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.’” (Mark 8:34, HCSB)

“Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord’ and don’t do the things I say?” (Luke 6:46, HCSB)

“Therefore, be imitators of God, as dearly loved children, and walk in love, as Christ also loved us and gave himself for us, a sacrificial and fragrant offering to God.” (Ephesians 5:1-2, HCSB)

Remember: We should emulate the Apostle Paul and make knowing Jesus our highest ambition and endeavor. (Philippians 3:10-16)

Section Three



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign: See, the virgin will conceive, have a son, and name him Immanuel.” (Isaiah 7:14, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

1. His birth was _____. (Luke 1:30-35)

“The angel replied to her, ‘The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.’” (Luke 1:35, HCSB)

“She will give birth to a son, and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.” (Mathew 1:21, HCSB)

- It is _____ in character
 - In _____
 - To a virgin (Luke 1:26-33)
 - To Joseph (Matthew 1:19-20)
 - To shepherds (Luke 2:8-15)
 - In _____
 - Miraculous conception (Luke 1:34-35)
 - In _____
 - To bring salvation (Mathew 1:21)
 - Scope is universal (Luke 2:14)
 - In the _____ of others.
 - Simeon (Luke 2:25-32)
 - Anna (Luke 2:36-38)
 - The wise men (Matthew 2:1-2, 11)
 - King Herod (Matthew 2:3-8, 16)

2. His birth occurred in the context of _____ history. (Luke 2:1-7, 21-24)

- They _____ existing Roman laws.

- They _____ Jewish practices.

“When the time came to completion, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.”
(Galatians 4:4-5, HCSB)

“In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that the whole empire should be registered. This first registration took place while Quirinius was governing Syria. So everyone went to be registered, each to his own town.” (Luke 2:1-3, HCSB)

“And when the days of their purification according to the law of Moses were finished, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord ...” (Luke 2:22, HCSB)

3. He was fully _____ . (John 1:30; 4:29)

- He _____ physically and mentally. (Luke 2:40, 52)
- He had a _____ childhood. (Luke 2:41-42, 51)

“Fellow Israelites, listen to these words: This Jesus of Nazareth was a man attested to you by God with miracles, wonders, and signs that God did among you through him, just as you yourselves know.” (Acts 2:22, HCSB)

“For there is one God and one mediator between God and humanity, the man Christ Jesus”
(1 Timothy 2:5, HCSB)

Section Four



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, ‘Repent, because the kingdom of heaven has come near!’ For he is the one spoken of through the prophet Isaiah, who said: A voice of one crying out in the wilderness: prepare the way of the Lord; make his path straight!” (Matthew 3:1-3, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

State: There are *three* major events that helps us to understand the public ministry of Jesus.

1. The _____ of John the Baptist. (Matt. 3:1-12; Mk 1:1-8; Lk 3:1-17)
 - His message _____ the people for the introduction of Jesus and the need for _____.
 - He predicts the _____ of Jesus. (Mk 1:7-8)
 - Jesus is more _____ than himself. (Matt. 3:11)
 - He will baptize with the _____. (Mk 1:8)
 - He is bringing _____ _____. (Matt.3:12)

“John came baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.” (Mark 1:4, HCSB)

“Now the people were waiting expectantly, and all of them were questioning in their hearts whether John might be the Messiah.” (Luke 3:15, HCSB)

“I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.” (Mark 1:8, HCSB)

“The ax is already at the root of the trees. Therefore, every tree that doesn’t produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.” (Luke 3:9, HCSB)

2. The _____ of Jesus for ministry. (Matt. 3:13-17; Mk 1:9-11)
 - Jesus’ baptism was the _____ of John’s ministry.
 - Baptism _____ Jesus with those needing repentance.
 - His baptism was the _____ of his ministry and began the _____ age.

“When all the people were baptized, Jesus also was baptized. As he was praying, heaven opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in a physical appearance like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: ‘You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.’” (Luke 3:21-22, HCSB)

“Jesus answered him, ‘Allow if for now, because this is the way for us to fulfill all righteousness.’ Then John allowed him to be baptized.” (Matthew 3:15, HCSB)

“And John testified, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and he rested on him. I didn’t know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘the one you see the Spirit descending and resting on – he is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.” (John 1:32-34, HCSB)

3. The _____ of conflict. (Matt. 4:1-11; Lk 4:1-13)

- His identification with sinners _____ him to temptations.
- The temptations focused on the _____ he would use to accomplish his purpose.
- The temptations revealed the _____ of the kingdom of God.

“Immediately the Spirit drove him into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. He was with the wild animals, and the angels were serving him.”
(Mark 1:12-13, HCSB)

“... for forty days to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over, he was hungry.” (Luke 4:2, HCSB)

“For since he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are tempted.”
(Hebrews 2:18, HCSB)

4. Let the _____ begin. (Jn 1:29-4:24)
- The focus is on _____ not crowds. (Mark 1:16-20)
 - The need for _____. (Jn 2:13-17)
 - The importance of _____. (John 3:3)
 - Salvation is for _____. (John 4:39-42)

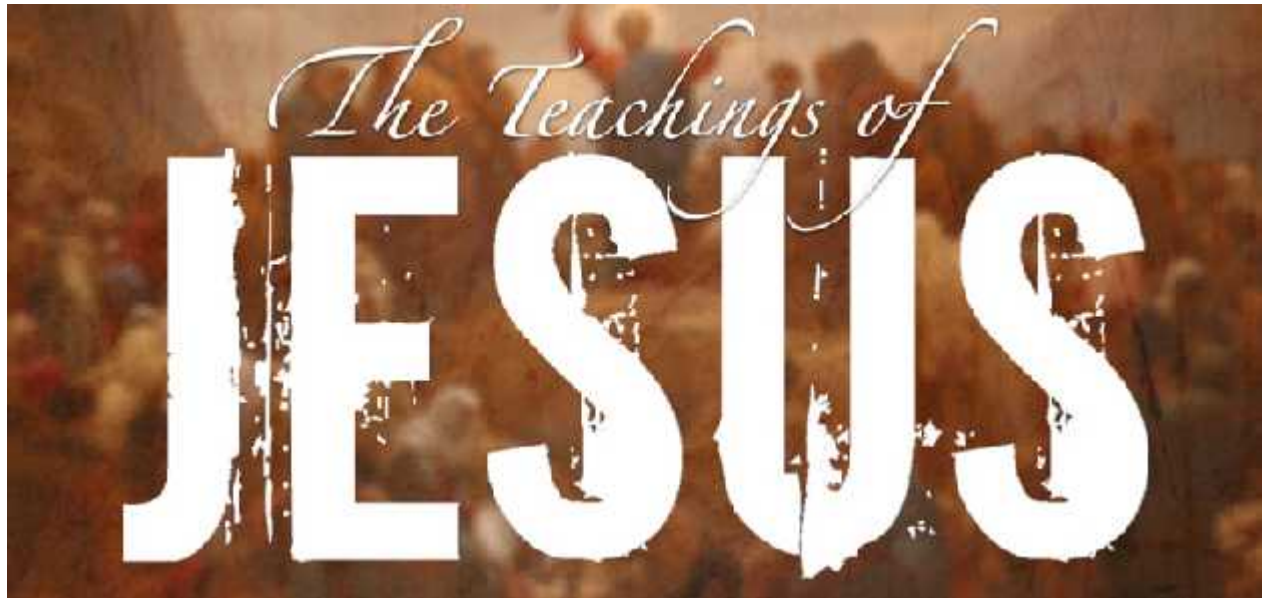
“Then news about him spread throughout Syria. So they brought to him all those who were afflicted, those suffering from various diseases and intense pains, the demon-possessed, the epileptics, and the paralytics. And he healed them. Large crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan.” (Matthew 4:24-25, HCSB)

“As he was walking along the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter), and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the sea – for they were fishermen. ‘Follow me,’ he told them, ‘and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him.” (Matthew 4:18-20, HCSB)

“... how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and how he went about doing food and healing all who were under the tyranny of the devil, because God was with him.” (Acts 10:38 HCSB)

“And they told the woman, ‘We no longer believe because of what you said, since we have heard for ourselves and know that this really is the Savior of the world.’” (John 4:42, HCSB)

Section Five



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“When he saw the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to teach them, saying:” (Matthew 5:1-2, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

A. His teaching about the _____ is the _____ message of the Bible. (Luke 4:43)

- It has its _____ in Old Testament. (Daniel 2:44; 7:13-14)
- It was the same _____ the apostles preached. (Acts 8:12; 19:8)

“Afterward he was traveling from one town and village to another, preaching and telling the good news of the kingdom of God.” (Luke 8:1, HCSB)

“For a child will be born for us, a son will be given to us, and the government will be on his shoulders. He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. The dominion will be vast, and its prosperity will never end. He will reign on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish and sustain it with justice and righteousness from now on and forever. The zeal of the LORD of Armies will accomplish this.” (Isaiah 9:6-7, HCSB)

“After arranging a day with him, many came to him at his lodging. From dawn to dusk he expounded and testified about the kingdom of God. He tried to persuade them about Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets.” (Acts 28:23, HCSB)

Definition: The kingdom of God is the reign of Jesus Christ as Lord and King in our lives. It is the Holy Spirit working in us, through us, and around us in such a way that we actually live and do the will of God. Also, there is a literal kingdom yet to come.

1. The kingdom of God is both _____ and _____. (Mark 1:15; 1 Corinthians 15:50)

- It is a _____ kingdom. (Psalm 103:19)
- It is a _____ kingdom. (John 18:36)
- It is related to _____. (John 3:5-7; 1 Corinthians 6:9)
- There will be a _____ consummation of the kingdom. (Revelation 11:15)

“My kingdom is not of this world,’ said Jesus. ‘If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight, so that I wouldn’t be handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.’” (John 18:36, HCSB)

“for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.” (Romans 14:17, HCSB)

“Jesus said to them, ‘Truly I tell you. In the renewal of all things, when the Son of Man sits on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.’” (Matthew 19:28, HCSB)

2. There is a _____ reality of the kingdom. (Luke 17:20-21)

- It is in our _____.
- It is _____ and _____. (Matthew 12:22)
- People can _____ into it. (Matthew 21:31)

“Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them. ‘The kingdom of God is not coming with something observable; no one will say, ‘See here! Or There!’ For you see, the kingdom of God is in your midst.’” (Luke 17:20-21, HCSB)

“Jesus answered, ‘Truly I tell you, unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.’” (John 3:5, HCSB)

3. The _____ reveal different aspects of the kingdom of God. (Mark 4:10-12)
- It makes a _____. (Matthew 13:10-12)
 - It brings a _____ sentence. (Matthew 13:13-17)
 - To _____ Scripture. (Matthew 13:34-35)
 - The _____ is the key parable. (Matthew 13:1-23)
 - Citizens of the kingdom _____ differently. (Matthew 5-7)
 - Other particulars about the kingdom
 - It's _____. (Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43, 47-50)
 - It's _____. (Matthew 13:44-46)
 - It's _____. (Matthew 13:31-33)
 - It's _____. (Mark 4:26-29)
 - It's not _____. (Matthew 21:33-45)
 - It can be _____ or _____. (Matthew 22:1-14)

“He was speaking the word to them with many parables like these, as they were able to understand. He did not speak to them without a parable. Privately, however, he explained everything to his own disciples.” (Mark 4:33-34, HCSB)

“Jesus told the crowds all these things in parables, and he did not tell them anything without a parable, so that what was spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: I will open my mouth in parables; I will declare things kept secret from the foundation of the world.” (Matthew 13:34-35, HCSB)

The good news is that we can now:

- _____ its power.
- _____ its life.
- _____ in its blessings.

B. His teaching about _____ as the central figure in the Bible. (John 5:39)

“You pore over the Scriptures because you think you have eternal life in them, and yet they testify about me.” (John 5:39, HCSB)

1. The most used designation Jesus used of himself was the _____. (Matthew 12:38-40)

- He has the power to _____ sins. (Matthew 9:6; Mark 2:10)
- He is Lord of the _____. (Matthew 12:8)
- His death will be a _____ to the people. (Matt.12:40; Luke 11:30)
- He will have a _____ return. (Matthew 16:27)
- He will have to _____. (Mark 8:31; 10:33; Luke 18:31)
- He was not of this _____. (John 3:13)
- The kingdom _____ to him. (Matthew 13:41)

“Jesus answered them, ‘My teaching isn’t mine but is from the one who sent me. If anyone wants to do his will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own.’” (John 7:16-17, HCSB)

“Jesus heard that they had thrown the man out, and when he found him, he asked, ‘Do you believe in the Son of Man?’ ‘Who is he, Sir, that I many believe in him?’ Jesus answered, ‘You have seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you.’” (John 9:35-37, HCSB)

“I am, said Jesus, and you will see the Son of Man, seated at the right hand of Power and coming with the clouds of heaven.” (Mark 14:62, HCSB)

2. Jesus saw himself as the _____ _____. (Matthew 12:38-40)

“But he strictly warned and instructed them to tell this to no one, saying, ‘It is necessary that the Son of Man suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, chief priests, and scribes, be killed, and be raised the third day.’” (Luke 9:21, HCSB)

3. Jesus believed his mission was a direct _____ of Scripture. (Matthew 5:17)

“The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for him if he had not been born.” (Matthew 26:24, HCSB)

4. Jesus understood that _____ was part of the divine plan. (Luke 24:25-27)

- His death was a _____ offering. (Matthew 26:26-28; John 6:53)
- His death would be _____. (John 10:18)
- His death was _____. (John 17:1)
- His death would be _____. (Luke 22:37; Mark 10:45)
- His death would defeat the _____. (Luke 22:53; John 12:23)
- His death only _____ to those that repent and believe. (Matthew 9:12-23)

“Therefore, as he was coming into the world, he said: You did not desire sacrifice and offering, but you prepared a body for me. You did not delight in whole burnt offerings and sin offerings. Then I said, ‘See – it is written about me in the scroll – I have come to do your will, O God.’” (Hebrews 10:5-7, HCSB)

“Jesus replied, ‘This is the work of God – that you believe in the one he has sent.’” (John 6:29, HCSB)

“Now my soul is troubled. What should I say – Father, save me from this hour? But that is why I came to this hour.” (John 12:27, HCSB)

“Jesus responded, ‘This voice came, not for me, but for you. Now is the judgment of this world. Now the ruler of this world will be cast out. As for me, if I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate what kind of death he was about to die.” (John 12:30-33, HCSB)

C. The miracles of Jesus were _____ of the coming _____. (John 1:41)

“Jesus replied, ‘Go and report to John what you hear and see. The blind receive their sight, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor are told the good news and blessed is the one who isn’t offended by me.’” (Matthew 11:4-6, HCSB)

1. His _____ was manifested through the miracles he performed.

- Over the _____. (Matthew 8:3)
- Not restricted to _____. (Matthew 8:5-13)
- Over _____. (Matthew 8:23-27; Luke 5:1-11)
- Over _____. (Matthew 8:28-34)
- Over _____. (Luke 17:11-19)

“The woman said to him, ‘I know that the Messiah is coming (who is called Christ). When he comes, he will explain everything to us.’ Jesus told her, I, the one speaking to you, am he.’” (John 4:25-26, HCSB)

“Just then a man with an unclean spirit was in their synagogue. He cried out, ‘What do you have to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are – the Holy One of God!’ Jesus rebuked him saying, ‘Be silent, and come out of him!’ And the unclean spirit threw him into convulsions, shouted with a loud voice, and came out of him.” (Mark 1:23-26, HCSB)

“So they set out, and as they were sailing he fell asleep. Then a fierce windstorm came down on the lake; they were being swamped and were in danger. They came and woke him up, saying, ‘Master, Master; we’re going to die!’ Then he got up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves. So they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, ‘Where is your faith?’ they were fearful and amazed, asking one another; ‘who then is this? He commands even the winds and the waves, and they obey him!’” (Luke 8:22-25, HCSB)

2. The miracles of Jesus _____ him as the Suffering Servant. (1 Peter 2:24)

“Now the Scripture passage he was reading was this: He was led like a sheep to the slaughter; and as a lamb is silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who will describe his generation? For his life is taken from the earth. The eunuch said to Philip, ‘I ask you, who is the prophet saying this about – himself or someone else?’ Philip proceeded to tell him the good news about Jesus, beginning with that Scripture.”
(Acts 8:32-35, HCSB)

3. The miracles of Jesus demonstrated that the _____ was present.

“If I drive out demons by the finger of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.”
(Luke 11:20, HCSB)

State: Most of the miracles contain the following pattern:

- A description of the condition.
- The person’s desire to be healed.
- Evidence of faith.
- Account of the healing.

“They came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting by the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out, ‘Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!’ Many warned him to keep quiet, but he was crying out all the more, ‘Have mercy on me, Son of David!’ Jesus stopped and said, ‘Call him.’ So they called the blind man and said to him, ‘Have courage! Get up; he’s calling for you.’ He threw off his coat, jumped up, and came to Jesus. Then Jesus answered him, ‘What do you want me to do for you?’ ‘Rabboni,’ the blind man said to him, ‘I want to see.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go, your faith has saved you.’ Immediately he could see and began to follow Jesus on the road.” (Mark 10:46-52, HCSB)

Section Six



LESSION SCRIPTURE

“Jesus spoke these things, looked up to heaven, and said: ‘Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you gave him authority over all flesh, so that he may give eternal life to everyone you have given him. This is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and the one you have sent – Jesus Christ. I have glorified you on the earth by completing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, glorify me in your presence with that glory I had with you before the world existed.’” (John 17:1-5, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

FROM BETRAYAL TO TRIAL

1. In _____ of purpose, we will experience _____. (Matthew 16:21)
 - People will _____ an evil plan against you. (Matthew 26:1-5, 14-16)
 - We can still _____ love towards those who mean to harm us. (John 13:18-30)
 - We should _____ that God is in the midst of the situation. ((Mark 14:32-36)

“I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world.” (John 16:33, HCSB)

“It was two days before the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread. The chief priest and the scribes were looking for a cunning way to arrest Jesus and kill him.” (Mark 14:1, HCSB)

“Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, who was numbered among the Twelve. He went away and discussed with the chief priests and temple police how he could hand him over to them. They were glad and agreed to give him silver. So he accepted the offer and started looking for a good opportunity to betray him to them when the crowd was not present.” (Luke 22:3-6, HCSB)

FROM CROSS TO THE GRAVE

2. Even in the midst of _____, we can still find _____. (Hebrews 12:2)
 - He was _____ between two criminals. (Matthew 27:38)
 - Although people _____ him, Jesus still showed _____ for others. (Matt. 27:39-44)
 - Jesus _____ and _____ his purpose. (John 19:30-37)

- _____ signs accompanied his death. (Matthew 27:50-53)
- His burial is _____. (John 19:38-42)

“Carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called Place of the Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha. There they crucified him and two others with him, one on either side, with Jesus in the middle.” (John 19:17-18, HCSB)

“Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple he loved standing there, he said to his mother, ‘Woman, here is your son.’ Then he said to the disciple, ‘Here is your mother.’ And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.” (John 19:25-27, HCSB)

“Jesus let out a loud cry and breathed his last. Then the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. When the centurion, who was standing opposite him, saw the way he breathed his last, he said, ‘Truly this man was the Son of God!’” (Mark 15:37-39, HCSB)

RESURRECTION TO GLORY

3. Enduring the _____ will result in an elevated position. (Philippians 2:9-11)
 - There are many _____ to His resurrection. (1 Corinthians 15:3-8)
 - Mary Magdalene & the other Mary. (Matthew 28:1-10)
 - Roman guards (Matthew 28:11-15)
 - Two men on the road to Emmaus. (Luke 24:13-32)
 - His disciples. (Mark 16:14)
 - He received all _____ and _____. (Matthew 28:18)
 - He has given his disciples an assignment. (Acts 1:8)
 - He is now in _____ waiting to _____. (Acts 1:9-11)
 - He has a physical body. (John 20:27)

“He also said to them, ‘This is what is written: The Messiah would suffer and rise from the dead the third day, and repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in his name to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem.’” (Luke 24:46-47, HCSB)

“As they were saying these things, he himself stood in their midst. He said to them, ‘Peace to you!’ But they were startled and terrified and thought they were seeing a ghost. ‘Why are you troubled?’ he asked them. ‘And why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself! Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.’ Having said this, he showed them his hands and feet.” (Luke 24:36-40, HCSB)

Section Seven



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“The Son is the radiance of God’s glory and the exact expression of his nature, sustaining all things by his powerful word.” (Hebrews 1:3, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

1. His _____ with the Father demonstrates His deity. (John 5:19-23)
 - In his _____ with the Father. (John 10:30)
 - In his intimate _____ of the Father. (Matthew 11:25-27)
 - Through his _____. (John 6:38)
 - By his _____. (John 5:36-37)
 - In sharing the _____ characteristics. (Mark 2:1-12)

“Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.” (John 20:30-31, HCSB)

“If I am not doing my Father’s works, don’t believe me. But if I am doing them and you don’t believe me, believe the works. This way you will know and understand that the Father is in me and I in the Father.” (John 10:37-38, HCSB)

2. His deity is affirmed by the _____ of others. (Luke 8:22-25)
 - _____ . (John 1:32-34)
 - _____ . (John 4:39-42)
 - _____ . (Matthew 27:54)
 - _____ . (Mark 3:11)
 - _____ . (Luke 1:26-35)
 - _____ . (Hebrews 1:8)
 - _____ . (John 10:31-33)

“Also, demons were coming out of many, shouting and saying, ‘You are the Son of God!’ But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew he was the Christ.”
(Luke 4:41, HCSB)

“They went into Capernaum, and right away he entered the synagogue on the Sabbath and began to teach. They were astonished at his teaching because he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not like the scribes.” (Mark 1:21-22, HCSB)

“Then he said to Thomas, ‘Put your finger here and look at my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Don’t be faithless, but believe.’ Thomas responded to him, ‘My Lord and my God!’ Jesus said, ‘Because you have seen me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.’” (John 20:27-29, HCSB)

3. His own words _____ his divine nature. (John 4:26)

- I am _____. (John 6:35)
- I am _____. (John 8:12)
- I am _____. (John 10:9)
- I am _____. (John 11:25)
- I am _____. (John 10:11)
- I am _____. (John 14:6)
- I am _____. (John 15:1)

“I am telling you now before it happens, so that when it does happen you will believe that I am he.” (John 13:19, HCSB)

“The Jews replied, ‘You aren’t fifty years old yet, and you’ve seen Abraham?’ Jesus said to them, ‘Truly I tell you, before Abraham was, I am.’ So they picked up stones to throw at him. But Jesus was hidden and went out of the temple.” (John 8:57-59, HCSB)

4. His deity is _____ in biblical history. (2 Peter 1:16-21)

- _____ . (Matthew 1:23)
- _____ . (Mark 1:1)
- _____ . (John 1:1)
- _____ . (Matthew 16:16)
- _____ . (Philippians 2:6)
- _____ . (Colossians 1:15)
- _____ . (Colossians 2:9)
- _____ . (Titus 2:13)
- _____ . (Revelation 1:8)

“Who is the liar, if not the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This one is the antichrist: the one who denies the Father and the Son.” (1 John 2:22, HCSB)

“This is how you know the Spirit of god: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming; even now it is already in the world.” (1 John 4:2-3, HCSB)

Section Eight



LESSION SCRIPTURE:

“As for me, if I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all people to myself.” (John 12:32, HCSB)

MAIN POINTS:

1. I should have a _____ to study the Word of God. (John 5:39-40)
 - It is the only way that we can _____ a more intimate relationship with Jesus.
 - We cannot grow apart from studying God’s Word.

“Like newborn infants, desire the pure milk of the word, so that you may grow up into your salvation.” (1 Peter 2:2, HCSB)

“But solid food is for the mature – for those whose senses have been trained to distinguish between good and evil.” (Hebrews 5:14, HCSB)

2. I should be more _____ to fulfill my purpose in ministry. (Luke 12:42-48)
 - We have a clearer _____ of what we should be doing because of Jesus’ public ministry.
 - We should be participators and not spectators.

“I pursue as my goal the prize promised by God’s heavenly call in Christ Jesus.”
(Philippians 3:14, HCSB)

“Therefore, since we also have such a large cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us lay aside every hindrance and the sin that so easily ensnares us. Let us run with endurance the race that lies before us, keeping our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of our faith. For the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” (Hebrews 12:1-2, HCSB)

3. I am now _____ to _____ the good news about Jesus Christ to lost humanity.
(Romans 10:14-15)

- We now have a better _____ of what the kingdom of God is and things pertaining to Jesus Christ.
 - There is more to the Good News than just your personal testimony.

“Like newborn infants, desire the pure milk of the word, so that you may grow up into your salvation.” (1 Peter 2:2, HCSB)

Remember: Let us not just be hearers of God’s Word, but doers. Moreover, it is God who grows His kingdom not us.

“I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.” (1 Corinthians 3:6-7, HCSB)
