



Rock Point Church

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Big Idea: The claims of Jesus demand a response.

Jesus is fully God.

John 8:58 (NLT)

⁵⁸ Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, before Abraham was even born, I am!"

John 14:1-7 (NLT)

¹ "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. ² There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? ³ When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. ⁴ And you know the way to where I am going."

⁵ "No, we don't know, Lord," Thomas said. "We have no idea where you are going, so how can we know the way?"

⁶ Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you had really known

me, you would know who my Father is. From now on, you do know him and have seen him!”

John 10:30-33 (NLT)

³⁰ The Father and I are one.”

³¹ Once again the people picked up stones to kill him. ³² Jesus said, “At my Father’s direction I have done many good works. For which one are you going to stone me?”

³³ They replied, “We’re stoning you not for any good work, but for blasphemy! You, a mere man, claim to be God.”

“I am trying here to prevent anyone saying the really foolish thing that people often say about Him: I’m ready to accept Jesus as a great moral teacher, but I don’t accept his claim to be God. That is the one thing we must not say. A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic — on the level with the man who says he is a poached egg — or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God, but let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to.” - C.S. Lewis

Jesus is a perfect man.

John 1:1-5 (NLT)

- ¹ In the beginning the Word already existed.
The Word was with God,
and the Word was God.
- ² He existed in the beginning with God.
- ³ God created everything through him,
and nothing was created except through him.
- ⁴ The Word gave life to everything that was created,
and his life brought light to everyone.
- ⁵ The light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness can never extinguish it.

John 1:14 (NLT)

¹⁴ So the Word became human and made his home among us. He was full of unfailing love and faithfulness. And we have seen his glory, the glory of the Father's one and only Son.

Jesus is the only Savior.

John 14:6 (NLT)

⁶ Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

John 10:9 (ESV)

⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.

GROUPS QUESTIONS:

1. What stood out to you most in this week's message, and why?
2. Read John 8:58. What do you think Jesus was communicating when He said, "Before Abraham was even born, I am"? What does this reveal about who Jesus claimed to be?
3. Jesus was fully God, but He was also fully human. Why do you think both truths are important to our understanding of who Jesus is?
4. Jesus described Himself as "the way, the truth, and the life." What does it look like practically to treat Jesus as the way rather than simply someone who shows us the way?
5. What are some ways people today might try to follow Jesus while still holding back from fully accepting His claims about who He is?
6. Read John 14:6. Jesus says that no one comes to the Father except through Him. What thoughts, questions, or challenges does this statement bring up for you?
7. The big idea says, "The claims of Jesus demand a response." What response do you think Jesus is asking from you personally?