

Who is Jesus to you?

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➤ Intro:

- **illus.: Fox News, The Da Vinci Code, “Who is Jesus exactly?”**
- **this lesson: Who is Jesus to you (Christian)?**

➤ Jesus is your God.

- **Jn. 1:1-4, 14** eternal, God, Creator of all, life, Light, flesh
- - **Col. 2:9** Deity (Godhead) bodily, made complete in Him, head over all rule and authority
- **reason for the Father’s deign of the universe and our salvation for, through and in Christ**
- - **Col. 1:15-18** Jesus has first place (preeminence), above all others
- **What do we owe Jesus?** — everything - withhold nothing

➤ Jesus is your Lord, Master, and King.

- **Jude 1:4** Jesus is our **Lord and Master**
- **application:**
 - **Matt. 10:24-25** slave is like his master — we must be like Jesus, expect the same treatment as Jesus
 - **Matt. 24:45-50** be ready for master to return — be ready, every day
 - **Matt. 25** tell stories: parable of the virgins, talents — be working / judgment
- - **King of kings and Lord of lords**
 - **Lk. 19:38** triumphant entry, Jesus is King - if these not proclaim Jesus’ glory, stones cried out
 - **Rev. 19:13-16** dipped in blood, Word of God, rule nations, tread wine press, King of k & Lord of l
- - **Christians, members of Jesus’ kingdom**
 - **Col. 1:12-14** God qualify us, transfer into Jesus’ kingdom, redemption and forgiveness
 - **Matt. 22:1-14 vs. 1-8** must pay attention / **vs. 9-14** must be properly clothed (**Rev. 7:14**)
- **Jesus is your Savior. — life preserver, grab hold of, don;t let go, live or die**
 - **“Savior”** means *deliverer, preserver* (Vine’s)
 - **Eph. 5:23** Savior of the body, which is the church (Eph. 1:22-23)
 - *deliver* from sin (Lk. 19:10) and death (2 Tim. 1:10)
 - **Lk. 19:10; 2 Tim. 1:10**
 - *preserve* us while upon the earth, till we live in heaven for eternity
 - **illus.: 13-year-old Freezes on National Anthem — all need Savior**
 - **illus.: Soul, A Savior Thou Art Needing** — review verses then chorus

➤ end part one

➤ Intro. Part II

➤ Jesus is your Mediator and Advocate.

- definitions (Vine's):

- "Mediator" is a *go-between* in one sense, and is One who secures something that could not be secured otherwise

- Jesus is our go-between who brings us into a peaceful relationship with God - reconcile (1 Tim. 2:5)

- Jesus secured the new covenant with His blood, so that we could be saved (Heb. 9:15)

- **1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 9:15** go-between / secured new covenant

➤ - "Advocate" used in a court of justice to denote a legal assistant, counsel for the defense, an advocate; then, generally, one who pleads another's cause (1 Jn. 2:1)

- **1 Jn. 2:1** pleading our case for forgiveness

- Could we have a relationship with God, if it weren't for Jesus? — enemies with God (Ja. 4:4)

- without Jesus: utter damnation, to hope, life worthless, no good in anything

- **illus.: Queen Esther, risked her life and went to King Ahasuerus, Mediated and Advocated for Israel,** wrote a law in the name of the king that allowed Israel to defend themselves, Israel not annihilated

- **Es. 4:10-17**

➤ Jesus is your friend.

- **Jn. 15:12-13** Jesus loves us, friend, gave life

- **illus.: Pat Tillman Sacrificed His Life Serving His Country — Jesus sacrificed life in heaven, cross**

- **Jn. 15:14** we are Jesus' friends by obeying His commands

- **application: Jesus gave His life for us. we must give our lives for Him**

- **Lk. 9:23-25** lose life to save it — counter intuitive - totally commit the physical to gain the spiritual

- **Are you Jesus' friend? - review chorus, I'll Be A Friend To Jesus, commitment**

➤ Jesus is your brother. — adopted, son of God, Jesus' brother, joint heir with Christ

- **Heb. 2:11-12, 17** one who sanctifies and one sanctified from one Father, congregation, made like brethren, merciful and faithful high priest, propitiation for sins

- **Rom. 8:14-17** live by the Spirit, spirit of adoption, sons, Abba Father, heirs, fellow heir (joint) with Christ

➤ - adopted in Christ

- **Eph. 1:3-6** adopted in Christ

- **Gal. 3:26-27 - 4:5-7** adopted when baptized into Christ — Jesus is our brother, united with Him (Rom. 6:5)

➤ Jesus is your all-in-all, your everything.

- **Rev. 22:13-17** Jesus is your all-in-all (vs. 13), what Jesus does for us (vs. 14-17) - blessed

- illus.: songs

- My All In All

- Jesus Is All The World To Me — He is my all-in-all

- Blessed Are They Who Do His Commandments

- Are You Coming To Jesus Tonight?

➤ Summary / Inv.

- What is Jesus to you?

- Inv.:

- Come to Jesus - all-in-all