

[NEW BELIEVER'S]

Bible Study #2

WHO IS JESUS?

In the last lesson, we learned about the Word of God. The Word of God points us directly to Jesus. There is much to know about Jesus, our Savior.

Before starting this study, let's begin by memorizing Philippians 2:10–11:

THAT AT THE NAME OF JESUS EVERY KNEE SHOULD BOW, OF THOSE IN HEAVEN, AND OF THOSE ON EARTH, AND OF THOSE UNDER THE EARTH, AND THAT EVERY TONGUE SHOULD CONFESS THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD, TO THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER

It is very important to know who we believe in. If Jesus is nothing more than a man or a teacher or a prophet or a philosopher, then our faith is useless. But He is much more than all of that! He is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." —Matthew 16:13-16

In this lesson, you will learn:

- What other people said about Jesus.
- What Jesus said about Himself.
- The Bible teaches that Jesus is God.

As you complete this study, use your own words to answer the questions; do not simply copy the Bible verses.

Rabbi means “teacher” or “master.”

Messiah or Christ means “the Anointed One, the One promised by God as the Great Deliverer.”

1. Who did these people say Jesus was?

John (John 1:29, 34) _____

Andrew (John 1:40–41) _____

Nathanael (John 1:49) _____

The Samaritans (John 4:42) _____

Peter (John 6:68–69) _____

Thomas (John 20:28) _____

2. Who did these people say Jesus was?

(Matthew 3:16–17) _____

(Matthew 17:5) _____

3. How did Jesus describe Himself?

(John 4:25–26) _____

(John 6:33–35) _____

(John 9:5) _____

(John 10:7) _____

(John 10:11) _____

(John 10:36) _____

(John 11:25) _____

(John 13:13) _____

(John 14:6) _____

4. Read John 10:22–33. The Jews asked Jesus for a plain answer. How did He answer them in verse 30? _____

The Jews knew exactly what He meant by that answer. Who was He saying He was in verse 33? _____

In Exodus 3:13–14, Moses asked God what he should tell the Israelites His name was. God said His name was, “I AM.” Jesus also refers to Himself by saying, “I AM!” (In some Bible translations, the word “he” is included in italics for clarification.)

5. What happened when Jesus answered, “I AM” to the Roman soldiers?

(John 18:4–6) _____

6. The Jews wondered how Abraham could have seen Jesus. How did He respond?

(John 8:54–59) _____

Jesus also called Himself “I AM” in John 8:24, 28.

7. What characteristics of the Father can be seen in the Son?
(Hebrews 1:3) _____

8. What does Jesus say about anyone who has seen Him?
(John 14:8–9) _____

In the book of John, Word means “divine expression.” When John refers to Jesus as the Word, he means that Jesus is the exact image of the invisible God. The Father chose to reveal Himself to us through the Son.

9. Read John 1:1–5, 14, 18 and answer these questions

How long has the Word been around?
Verse 1 _____

Who does the Bible say the Word is?
Verse 1 _____

What things were made by the Word?
Verse 3 _____

What can be found in the Word?
Verses 4-5 _____

Did the Word stay in heaven only?
Verse 14 _____

Who has the Son revealed to us?
Verse 18 _____

Read Colossians 1:15–20 and compare it to the Scriptures in the last question.

10. Who do *you* say Jesus is? _____

From memory, write out your memory verse from page 1.

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