

Serving the Truth in a Love Sandwich

Jesus Christ

Lord

1st Peter 3:15 "But sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence."

This series of courses is about answering difficult questions about Christianity. As disciples of Jesus Christ we have a responsibility to be prepared to defend our faith. We are *not* going to study what Moslems, Hindus, Buddhists etc. believe. We are going to study the truth, not lies, except for a few of their questions, which often have lies as their basis. I hope as we go through these lessons you will create your own personal statement of faith, so you will have a clear idea of what you are defending.

However, as we study, remember God's truth is spread more heart to heart than mind to mind. Since we have minds they must also be included in the communication, but never forget to serve the truth in a love sandwich.

I believe our Lord Jesus Christ is divine, was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, performed many notable miracles, died on the cross to atone for our sins, was physically resurrected, and ascended to be on the right hand of the Father, thus fulfilling many divine prophecies. I hope to show why I believe these things in this course. There is another course on just the doctrine of the resurrection by itself, so it is only touched on briefly here. Also, the teaching of Jesus Christ is not covered in this course. (We have two series of courses devoted to His teachings: The Words of Jesus and The Sermon on the Mount. Visit LoveBibleStudy.com) And the prophecies of his imminent return are discussed in a course later in this series about the end times.

- *Lesson 1* Who is Jesus Christ?
- Lesson 2 Jesus Christ the Miracle Worker
- Lesson 3 Jesus Christ the Sacrifice
- Lesson 4 Jesus Christ Fulfilled Prophecy
- Lesson 5 Jesus Christ is Lord

Suggested methodology for each lesson:

- 1. Fellowship (Save most of this for the end of class.)
- 2. Take prayer requests (Try to keep it from becoming a competition to see who has the most or the worst.)
- 3. Pray (The idea here is to leave our troubles with God so we can give His word our attention with a clear mind.)
- 4. Read the lesson's text aloud from the Bible. (... or a few verses at a time as you answer the questions.)
- 5. Answer and *briefly* discuss the "fill in the blank" questions. (Let those who prefer to listen, listen. My answers on the next page are just one opinion; you may have a better answer if it is based on Scripture.)
- 6. On the final "Think & Pray" question everyone should take a few minutes to pray over it and jot down their own thoughts before the discussion. **This will give the Holy Spirit a time to speak.**
- 7. Discuss your "Think & Pray" answers. (Never force anyone to share theirs. As with the other questions, my answer is just one more opinion; you may have a better answer.)
- 8. Close in prayer (It is best to call on others to pray, but try to get their permission ahead of time.)
- 9. Fellowship (Leave this as open ended as possible for the time and place you meet.)

Depending on the number of people, each lesson is expected to take about one hour. Steps 4 thru 7 are about half of that. If you take longer, let each lesson take more than one meeting, or consider breaking into two groups. The final "Think & Pray" question should always be covered, because that is when everyone takes a quiet moment to listen to the Teacher, the Holy Spirit. If you take less time, extra questions are provided for discussion called "For Further Thought"

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Additional Reading

These lessons are designed for small groups or individuals to use without reference to other materials besides the Bible. However, a lot more could be gained if those involved would do some additional reading between class meetings. (See http://lovebiblestudy.com/CC/Library.htm)

We plan to provide specific recommendations with each course at http://lovebiblestudy.com/TLS/Adjunct/ We also hope to be making specific chapter recommendations from various Christian books that have helped us in our understanding of apologetics, but are not entirely about the topic of the course. Such as these books which would make good companions for this entire series of courses.

Mere Christianity by C. S. Lewis

I Don't Have Enough Faith to Be an Atheist by Norman L. Geisler and Frank Turek

The Case for ... series of books by Lee Strobel

Cold Case Christianity, God's Crime Scene, and Forensic Faith - 3 books by J. Warner Wallace

Also, some books do dovetail nicely with particular courses. For instance, this book would work very well with this course, Jesus Christ:

Jesus: A Biblical Defense of His Deity by Josh McDowell and Bart Larson

Lesson 1 – Who is Jesus Christ?

I believe our Lord Jesus Christ is divine, was born of a virgin, lived a sinless life, performed many notable miracles, died on the cross to atone for our sins, was physically resurrected, and ascended to be on the right hand of the Father, thus fulfilling many divine prophecies.

[1A] According to Luke 1:26-38 what was Mary?
[1B] According to Matthew 1:18-25 what was unusual about Mary having a baby?
[1C] According to Isaiah 7:14 what could Immanuel be recognized?
[1D] According to 2 Corinthians 5:21 did Jesus commit sins?
[1E] According to Hebrews 4:14-16 did Jesus commit sins?
[1F] According to John 1:1-18 Who is Jesus Christ?
[1G] What do the Samaritans call Jesus in John 4:42?
[1H] What did Jesus call Himself in John 6:35?
[1I] What did Jesus call Himself in John 8:12?
[1J] What did Jesus call Himself in John 10:9-10?
[1K] What did Jesus call Himself in John 10:11?
[1L] What did Jesus call Himself in John 11:25?
[1M] What did Jesus call Himself in John 14:6?
[1N] Who did Pilate say Jesus was in John 19:19?
[10] What did Thomas call Jesus in John 20:28?
[1P] Describe two or three of the sins committed by Jesus. How do you know your answer is correct?
Think & Pray

For further thought:

- (1q) Compare Isaiah 53:9 and 1 Peter 2:21-24. What do they say about Jesus?
- (1r) *Atheist Attack*: "In John 5:34 Jesus said, 'I do not accept testimony from a human being." If you, a human being, pray to Jesus, then you must claim that Jesus lied about not accepting human testimony." How would you respond to this attack? (Hints: John 5:31-40, John 4:42, 1st John 5:9)
- (1s) *Atheist Attack*: "Jesus is not a Ruler or King. Luke 1:33 'Jesus will rule over the house of Jacob, forever.' Forever? Really? Historically, when has Jesus ever ruled over the Jews?" How would you respond to this attack? (Hint: Revelation 19:16)
- (1t) *Atheist Attack*: "Jesus was created. Colossians 1:15 'Christ is the image of the invisible God, the First-Born of all creation.' If God created Jesus, then Jesus, even as a son, cannot be God, unless God only amounts to a changing, assumed position of authority, like Kings and Presidents. What God creates cannot be Himself. What is identical to God cannot actually be God." How would you respond to this attack? (Hint: Hebrews 1:2)

Lesson 1 – Who is Jesus Christ?

- [1A] According to Luke 1:26-38 what was Mary? She was a virgin Lk 1:27
- [1B] According to Matthew 1:18-25 what was unusual about Mary having a baby? She was a virgin
- [1C] According to Isaiah 7:14 what could Immanuel be recognized? <u>His mother would be a virgin</u> (More fulfilled prophecy in lesson 4)
- [1D] According to 2 Corinthians 5:21 did Jesus commit sins? No.
- [1E] According to Hebrews 4:14-16 did Jesus commit sins? No.
- [1F] According to John 1:1-18 Who is Jesus Christ? God In Jn 1:1 the Word is God. In Jn 1:14-18 the Word is Jesus Christ, therefore Jesus Christ is God. (More on His Lordship in lesson 5)
- [1G] What do the Samaritans call Jesus in John 4:42? Savior of the world (More on this in lesson 3)
- [1H] What did Jesus call Himself in John 6:35? The Bread of Life
- [11] What did Jesus call Himself in John 8:12? Light of the World
- [1J] What did Jesus call Himself in John 10:9-10? The Door into Abundant Life
- [1K] What did Jesus call Himself in John 10:11? The Good Shepherd
- [1L] What did Jesus call Himself in John 11:25? The Resurrection and the Life (More in lesson 2)
- [1M] What did Jesus call Himself in John 14:6? The Way, the Truth and the Life
- [1N] Who did Pilate say Jesus was in John 19:19? King of the Jews
- [10] What did Thomas call Jesus in John 20:28? My Lord and my God (More in lesson 5)
- [1P] There can be no such list. Jesus lived a sinless life. (See also First John 3:5)

- (1q) Jesus did not lie and that was by design, not by accident. He was honest on purpose. That way when He made remarkable claims about Himself, we could not reject them based on a lack of credibility. Every reasonable person would have to at least consider His claims.
- (1r) It is talking about Jesus receiving testimony about Himself, not testimony in general. It just means Jesus, unlike the rest of us, does not need anyone to tell Him about Himself.



- (1s) "Will" is future tense. Besides He is my King now. (See also: 2 Sam 7:13, Dan 2:44, Matt 28:18, Rev 11:15)
- (1t) The Greek word prōtotokos here translated "first-born" has no one word English equivalent. "Designated heir" might be a better translation in my opinion in this context. The Son has always been part of the Godhead. The human part of Jesus is an image of God, just as we are. If you read the next verse you find that it says Jesus Christ created everything. Paul would not say in one verse that Jesus was created, and the next that He created everything, implying He created Himself. (See also: John 1:1-3, 10; 1 Cor 8:6)

Lesson 2 – Jesus Christ the Miracle Worker

I believe our Lord Jesus Christ performed many notable miracles.

[2A] For each of the passages below say what miracle He did and then write what it demonstrates Jesus had authority over – power over nature, power over demons, power over disease or power over death. The first few are done for you.

	Miracle	Power Over
Matthew 6:45-51 -	Walking on Water	<u>Nature</u>
Matthew 9:32-34 -	Casting out an evil Spirit	<u>Demons</u>
Matthew 15:29-31 -	Healing of many people of many diseases	Dísease
Matthew 28:6 -	His resurrection	<u>Death</u>
Mark 4:35-41 -		
Mark 5:21-43 -		
Mark 9:14-29 -		
Mark 11:12-26 -		
Luke 7:11-16 -		
Luke 11:14-26 -		
Luke 17:11-19 -		
John 4:47-54 -		
John 6:3-14 -		
John 9:1-41 -		
John 11:1-46 -		
Matthew 17:24-27 -		
[2B] What is your "f	avorite" miracle of Jesus (of all of them, not just the ones me	entioned here)? Why?
Think & Pray		

For further thought:

- (2c) What miracles has Jesus done in your life?
- (2d) *Atheist Attack*: "The gospel accounts of the miracles of Jesus are just myths. Paul, who wrote closer to the time of Jesus than the gospel writers, did not mention them." How would you respond to this attack?
- (2e) So why did Jesus limit Himself as He did? Like He said when they arrested Him, He could have called down armies of angels to protect Himself. (Matthew 26:53) Why didn't He fly everywhere instead of walking? I'm sure you can think of other miracles He could have done, and didn't. Why just certain miracles?
- (2f) Read about and discuss some of the other miracles of Jesus:

 Matt 8:1-4; 5-13; 14-15; 18-27; 28; 9:2-8; 18-26; 27-31; 12:9-13; 22-32; 14:13-21; 15:21-28; 38; 17:14-21

 Mark 1:29-31; 1:40-45; 3:1-5; 3:22-30; 5:25-34; 6:32-44; 6:45-52; 8:1-10; 8:22-26; 10:46-52

 Luke 4:31-37; 4:38-39; 5:1-11; 5:17-26; 7:1-10; 8:22-25; 8:40-56; 9:10-17; 9:37-42; 22:49-51

 John 2:1-11; 5:1-15; 6:15-21; 21:1-12

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Matthew 15:29-31	Healing of many people of many diseases	Disease
Matthew 28:6	His resurrection	Death
Mark 4:35-41	Calming a storm	Nature
Mark 5:21-43	Raising Jairus' daughter	Death
Mark 9:14-29	Casting demons out of a lunatic boy	Demons
Mark 11:12-26	A fig tree is withered by His command	Nature
Luke 7:11-16	Raising the widow's son	Death
Luke 11:14-26	Casting out a dumb and blind spirit	Demons
Luke 17:11-19	Cleansing of ten lepers	Disease
John 4:47-54	Healing of a nobleman's son	Disease
John 6:3-14	Feeding 5,000 with 5 loaves and 2 fish	Nature
John 9:1-41	Healing a man born blind	Disease
John 11:1-46	Raising Lazarus	Death
Matthew 17:24-27	Pulling a coin from the mouth of a fish	Nature

[2B] My favorite is the calming of the storm in Mark 4:35-41. Jesus wakes up, tells the storm to be quiet, and it is. It is an incredible miracle and yet the disciples still do not get it. The last verse says, "They became very much afraid and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?'" Perhaps I would not have done any better than they did, but shouldn't it have started to occur to them that they were dealing with God? I think about it every time I am in a thunderstorm or hear about a tornado or hurricane.

- (2c) You really need to have some stories about your personal relationship with the Living Savior, or when you give your testimony it just sounds like one more religion like all the others.
- (2d) The notion that Paul did not report any miracles of Jesus is simply not true. Paul wrote letters to people who were already Christians because he had preached the gospel to them. I believe Luke's gospel is probably very like the gospel Paul preached to them, since Luke was one of Paul's followers. Why would Paul want to repeat that material in his letters when the purpose of the letters was entirely different than presenting the gospel? His reader's had already heard all that. Where would anyone get the idea that Paul knew nothing about Jesus' miracles when his own conversion began with one? (I Cor 15:8 and I Cor 9:1 confirming the Acts 9:3-8 account.) Plus it is clear that Paul was no stranger to miracles himself. In Romans 15:18-19 he credits Jesus Christ with the miracles worked through himself such as the ones he mentions in 2 Corinthians 12:12. In 1 Corinthians 12:10, 12:28-29, and Galatians 3:5 he acknowledges that miracles are an ongoing aspect of the ministry of all Christians. Most importantly Paul confirms the most fantastic miracle, the resurrection, in 1 Cor 15:1-15.
- (2f) I believe the answer is that He limited Himself to doing only those miracles which supported His purpose. Isn't that what He said in Matthew 26:53?

Lesson 3 – Jesus Christ the Sacrifice

I believe our Lord Jesus Chris died on the cross to atone for our sins, was physically resurrected, and ascended to be on the right hand of the Father.

[3A] Read Romans 5:6-10 Who did Christ die for?	

[3B] When did he die for us?

[3C] How are we justified?

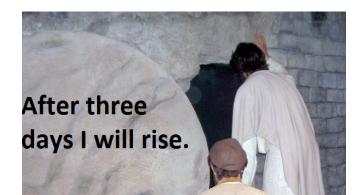
[3D] How are we saved?

[3E] How are we reconciled to God?

[3F] How are we saved?

[3G] According to I Corinthians 15:3 what did Christ die for?

[3G] According to Acts 4:10 who raised Jesus from the dead?



[3H] Read Acts 1:1-12. When last seen by the disciples which direction was Jesus going?	
[3I] Read Acts 2:32-36. Where is Jesus now?	
[3J] In Matthew 26:64 where does Jesus predict He will be sitting?	
[3K] Why did Jesus die on the cross? So what?	
Think & Pray	
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For further thought:

- (3L) The body of Jesus Christ is no longer in the tomb. Where is it now? How do you know?
- (3m) *Atheist Attack*: "Why is Jesus needed to cleanse us from sin? Adam is the one who ate the forbidden fruit. According to Deut. 24:16, children will not be punished for the sins of their fathers, so why is Jesus needed?"
- (3n) *Atheist Attack*: "Mark 8:34 says 'whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me.' Since Jesus had not yet died on the cross this is senseless. Before Jesus became an iconic figure, what was 'take up his cross' supposed to mean?"

Lesson 3 – **Jesus Christ the Sacrifice**

- [3A] Read Romans 5:6-10 Who did Christ die for? the ungodly Rm 5:6
- [3B] When did he die for us? while we were still sinners Rm 5:8 and/or at the right time Rm 5:6
- [3C] How are we justified? by His blood Rm 5:9
- [3D] How are we saved? through Him Rm 5:9
- [3E] How are we reconciled to God? by the death of Jesus Rm 5:10
- [3F] How are we saved? by His life Rm 5:10 and/or by Jesus Rm 5:6-10
- [3G] According to I Corinthians 15:3 what did Christ die for? Our sins
- [3E] Who is being talked about in Isaiah 53:5-6? Christ on the cross in my opinion
- [3F] According to Acts 3:15 who raised Jesus from the dead? God
- [3G] According to Acts 4:10 who raised Jesus from the dead? God
- [3H] Read Acts 1:1-12. When last seen by the disciples which direction was Jesus going? Up
- [3I] Read Acts 2:32-36. Where is Jesus now? The right hand of the Father. (See also Mark 16:19)
- [3J] In Matthew 26:64 where does Jesus predict He will be sitting? The right hand of power

[3K] Jesus died on the cross to pay for our sins. (See also Galatians 6:14 and 2 Corinthians 5:21) We should show Him some gratitude by obeying His commandments to worship God and love others.



- (3L) Jesus was physically resurrected from the dead and then rose into heaven to sit at the right hand of the father. (See also Mark 14:62, Luke 22:69, Luke 24:51, John 20:17, Ephesians 1:20, Ephesians 4:8, Hebrews 8:1, Psalms 68:18, Psalms 110:1)
- (3m) Our tendency to commit sin was inherited from Adam and is a consequence of his poor choices. If you need cleansing from sin it is your own, not his. Perhaps you do not have any sins yet, as Noah did not in Genesis 6. But as it says in Romans 3:23 and is demonstrated in Noah's life in Genesis 9 you will eventually. The particular sins you may or may not have committed or may commit in the future is a matter you will have to sort out for yourself with your conscience and your Maker. It is worldly consequences of Adam's sins that are our heritage, not guilt. If I decide to drink up my income and beat my wife and children, they bear the consequences of what I do. God does not, however, hold them accountable. The curse Adam caused filled our world with trouble and temptations, which often assist us to sin, but it is still our own choice.
- (3n) The cross was as familiar to them as the electric chair or noose is to you and I. It meant you were on the way to your execution. It meant your life was over. It meant to lose everything.

Lesson 4 – Jesus Christ Fulfilled Prophecy

I believe our Lord Jesus Christ fulfilled many divine prophecies.

[4A] Compare these Old Testament and New Testament passages and see if you can identify a fulfilled prophecy. The first one is done for you.

Malachi 3:1; Matthew 11:7-11 - <u>Preceded by a messenger to prepare His way</u>

Micah 5:2; Matthew 2:1 - _____

Hosea 11:1; Matthew 2:15 -

Isaiah 43:25; Mark 2:12 -

Genesis 22:8; Matthew 8:5-10 -



Psalms 41:9; John 13:21
Psalm 35:11; Matthew 26:60
Isaiah 50:6, 53:5; Matthew 27:26, 30 -
Ps 34:20, Num 9:12 Ex 12:46; John 19:33-36 -
Zechariah 12:10; John 19:34
Amos 8:9; Matthew 27:45
Ps 16:10-11; 49:15, 118:17; Mark 16:6, Acts 2:24 -
[4B] Can you list a few more prophecies fulfilled by Jesus Christ? (Hints: Isaiah 9:6-7; Genesis 12:3; Isaiah 7:14; Isaiah 35:5-6; Isaiah 29:18; Psalm 35:19
Think & Pray

For further thought:

- (4c) How many prophecies fulfilled by Jesus can you find in Isaiah 53?
- (4d) How many prophecies fulfilled at the crucifixion can you find in Psalm 22?
- (4e) Does Zechariah 11:12-13 have a prophecy that was fulfilled?
- (4f) Compare and discuss Psalm 118:22-23; Isaiah 28:16; Matthew 21:42; and 1st Peter 2:7.
- (4g) Atheist Attack: Matt 11:14 contradicts John 1:21. Is he John the Baptist or Elijah?

Lesson 4 – Jesus Christ Fulfilled Prophecy

[1A]

Malachi 3:1	Matthew 11:7-11	Preceded by a messenger to prepare His way
Micah 5:2	Matthew 2:1	Born in Bethlehem
Hosea 11:1	Matthew 2:15	Called out of Egypt
Isaiah 43:25	Mark 2:12	Able to forgive sins
Genesis 22:8	Matthew 8:5-10	God would provide Himsefl a lamb as an
		offering
Psalms 41:9	John 13:21	Betrayed by a friend
Psalm 35:11	Matthew 26:60	Accused by false witnesses
Isaiah 50:6, 53:5	Matthew 27:26, 30	Spat upon, smitten and scourged
Ps 34:20, Num	John 19:33-36	No bones broken
9:12 Ex 12:46		
Zechariah 12:10	John 19:34	Side pierced
Amos 8:9	Matthew 27:45	Darkness over the land
Ps 16:10-11;	Mark 16:6, Acts 2:24	Resurrected from the dead
49:15, 118:17		

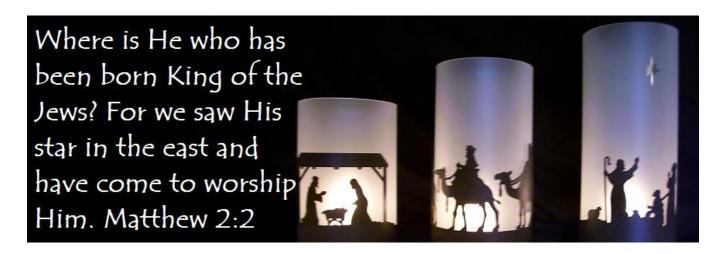
[4B] There are many prophesies fulfilled by Jesus. My favorite is Jesus Christ was born of a virgin, which fulfilled a very early prophecy in Genesis and another one in Isaiah. (See Genesis 3:15; Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-25; Luke 1:26-38) One very clear one is Zechariah 9:9 fulfilled in Matthew 21:5 when He rode into Jerusalem on a donkey. There are dozens of very clear fulfillments and scores more that are rather obscure, that are only visible to those of us who are already convinced.

- (4c) Isaiah 53:3; Matt 21:42; Mrk 8:31, 12:10; Luke 9:22, 17:25 Rejected by His own | Isaiah 53:4; Matthew 8:16-17 He bore our sickness | Isaiah 53:5; John 1:29 The sacrificial lamb | Isaiah 53:5; John 6:51 Wounded for our sins | Isaiah 53:7; Matthew 27:14 Silent to accusations | Isaiah 53:9; 1 Peter 2:21-24 No guile in His mouth | Isaiah 53:9; Matthew 27:57, 60 Buried with the rich | Isaiah 53:10-12; Mark 10:45 He bore the sins of many | Isaiah 53:12; Matthew 27:35 Crucified with criminals
- (4d) Psalm 22:1; Matthew 27:46 Cried, "My God, my God why hast thou forsaken me?" | Psalm 22:7-8; Matthew 27:43 People mocked, "He trusted in God, let Him deliver him!" | Psalm 22:16; John 19:28 Thirsty during execution | Psalm 22:17; Matthew 27:36 People sat there looking at Him | Psalm 22:18; Matthew 27:35 Soldiers gambled for his garment
- (4e) Yes, in my opinion. Matthew 26:15; Luke 22:5; Matthew 27:5; Matthew 27:9-10 He was betrayed for 30 pieces of silver which was thrown in the temple and used to buy a potter's field.
- (4f) I believe Jesus is the stone which the builders rejected that became the cornerstone.
- (4g) Matt 11:14 says "And if you are willing to accept it, John himself is Elijah who was to come." The phrase "if you are willing to accept it" signifies Jesus was speaking figuratively. In John 1:21 it was meant literally.

Lesson 5 – Jesus Christ is Lord

I believe our Lord Jesus Christ is divine.

[5A] John 5:18 says, " making himself equal with	h"
[5B] John 10:30 says, "I and are	e one."
[5C] John 14:9 says, "Jesus saith unto him he that	at hath seen me hath seen"
[5D] In lesson 2 of this course we saw that Jesus had	d power and authority over disease, demons, death
and nature. Which attribute of God does this sh	now?
[5E] Which attribute of God does Jesus show in Ma	tthew 9:3-4?
[5F] Which attribute of God does Jesus show in Mat	tthew 18:20?
[5G] What does Peter call Jesus in 2 Peter 1:1? "	
[5H] What does Paul call Jesus in Titus 2:13? "	
[5I] According to Matthew 2:2 why were the wise n	nen looking for Jesus?



[5J]Who is Jesu	ıs Christ?			
Think & Pray				

For further thought:

- (5k) Who does the Bible say Jesus is?
- (5L) Compare Ex 3:14-15 and John 8:58. Who was Jesus claiming to be? So what?
- (5m) In Mark 2:1-12 the Pharisees ask a question in verse 7. What is the answer to their question and how do you know?

(5n) In John 5:16-24 who does Jesus claim to be? So what?

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- [5A] John 5:18 says, " ... making himself equal with God."
- [5B] John 10:30 says, "I and my Father are one."
- [5C] John 14:9 says, "Jesus saith unto him . . . he that hath seen me hath seen the Father."
- [5D] In lesson 2 of this course we saw that Jesus had power and authority over disease, demons, death and nature. Which attribute of God does this show? Omnipotence, Being all powerful
- [5E] Which attribute of God does Jesus show in Matthew 9:3-4? Omniscience, Knowing all

(See also John 1:48; Matthew 12:25; Mark 12:34; John 4:17-19; Luke 9:46)

- [5F] Which attribute of God does Jesus show in Matthew 18:20? Omnipresence, Being everywhere
- [5G] What does Peter call Jesus in 2 Peter 1:1? "Our God and Savior, Jesus Christ"

(See also Acts 7:59; Acts 8:37; Gal 2:20; 1 Pet 3:22)

[5H] What does Paul call Jesus in Titus 2:13? "Our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."

(See also James 2:1; 1 John 5:20; Jude 1:25)

[51] According to Matthew 2:2 why were the wise men looking for Jesus? To worship Him



[5J] **Jesus Christ is Lord** Our Lord Jesus Christ is divine; He is the Son of God. Jesus is our Lord and one with the Father, Creator and Savior of the world, King of the Jews, and Christ. Isn't it great how many different things Jesus is to us? We are getting to know God Himself by knowing Jesus!

- (5k) **Any Bible based answer is correct, but incomplete.** John 21:25 says "And there are also many other things which Jesus did, which if they were written in detail, I suppose that even the world itself would not contain the books that would be written." NASB This course just gives a broad overview of Christian teaching about Jesus. It looks at the basic core beliefs that most Christians agree with. It barely scratches the surface of what the Bible has to say about Him as the Bible here says, there is more about Him than is told in the Scriptures. (There are more scriptures to demonstrate that Jesus is Lord many of which are discussed in the course in this series having to do with the Trinity.)
- (5L) Jesus is claiming to be the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. If there is any doubt look at John 8:59. It is clear from their reaction that they understood what Jesus was saying.
- (5m) Their question was rhetorical. It was their understanding that only God can forgive sins. I believe that to be true. See Isaiah 43:25. What does that imply about Jesus?
- (5n) Jesus claims to be the final and supreme judge of the universe. Isn't that the same thing as claiming to be God?