

WHAT DOES JESUS MEAN TO YOU?

Matt 1:18-25

INTRODUCTION:

- A. Jesus, ought to mean more than anything or any person
- B. Jesus, must be held in high esteem
- C. When we were sinners, Jesus died for us Rom 5:8
- D. Jesus invites all men to come to Him Matt 11:28
- E. What is your response to Him or how have you responded to Him in the past? All of the concepts we plan to discuss could be an entire lesson in itself. So, I will try to simply discuss each one briefly so we can get the full impact of Jesus in our lives.
- F. Just what does Jesus mean to you? You should respond to Him as:

DISCUSSION:

I. TESTATOR - HE MADE A WILL FOR US Heb 9:15-17

- A. He is mediator of a New Covenant. For a testament to be of force the testator must die
- B. This testament provides eternal life for us Mk 16:16
- C. Conditions of the will - Do the will of the Father Matt 7:21
- D. Any other will but this one is forged Gal 1:8,9

II. AUTHORITY - JESUS HAS ALL AUTHORITY Matt 28:18

- A. Author of my faith Heb 12:2 (and finisher)
- B. Whatever I do in word or deed must be in his name (authority) Col 3:17
- C. Hear (heed) Him or be destroyed Acts 3:22,23

III. SAVIOUR - RESCUER, PRESERVER

- A. From sin Matt 1:21; Lk 19:10
 1. Save his people from their sins
 2. Seek and save that which was lost
- B. Saved for a life in heaven 1Pet 1:3,4
 1. Begotten to a lively hope
 2. Incorruptible inheritance
 3. Reserved in Heaven

IV. PHYSICIAN - HEALING FOR SINSICK Lk 5:31,32

- A. Sin - a sickness that brings eternal death Isa 59:1,2
- B. Means of healing - blood - available to all Matt 28:19; Mk 16:15

V. HEAD - DIRECTS OUR LIFE 1Cor 11:3

- A. Head of the body the church Col 1:18
- B. We must follow as he directs by his example 1Pet 2:21
- C. Failing to follow directions of the head is rebellion

VI. HIGH PRIEST - OFFERS SACRIFICE Heb 3:1

- A. High priest of good things to come Heb 9:11
- B. Gave himself for us Tit 2:14
- C. A priest forever Heb 7:21-24
- D. Only His blood could forgive sin Heb 10:4,12

VII. MEDIATOR - INTERCESSOR Heb 8:6; 9:15

- A. Pleads for us to God Heb 9:24
- B. Can be touched with our infirmities Heb 4:15
- C. Tempted (tried) in all points like we are, yet no sin

VIII. EXAMPLE - SHOWED US THE WAY 1Pet 2:21

- A. In obedience Heb 5:8,9; Phil 2:8
- B. In service to others Phil 2:7
 1. Took upon himself the FORM of a servant
 2. Went about doing good Acts 10:38

IX. PEACE - INNER PEACE Eph 2:14

- A. Through Jesus, all nations can be one
- B. Peace of God rules in our hearts Col 3:15
- C. Only available through Jesus Col 1:20
- D. This peace passes all understanding Phil 4:7

CONCLUSION:

- A. If Christ is not all these things to you, then you don't have the proper relationship with Him
- B. And as a result of not having the proper relationship with Jesus the Christ, you cannot claim God as your Father!
- C. Jesus Christ must be our TESTATOR, AUTHORITY, SAVIOUR, PHYSICIAN, HEAD, HIGH PRIEST, MEDIATOR, EXAMPLE AND PEACE.
- D. If this is not the case with you, then you can make it so even this day.