Outline – October 9, 2022 John 1:1-4, 14-18; John 8:51-58 Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 1:1-4 What We Know And Believe About Jesus

The Most Asked Question Over The Centuries

I. Who is Jesus?

- A. The most important person in all of history
 - 1. Never wrote a book, but more written about Him
 - 2. Never wrote a song, but more songs written/sung to His praise
 - 3. Never traveled more than 200 miles, but more have traveled in His name
 - 4. Never painted a picture, but more paintings of Him than any other
 - 5. More colleges, universities, hospitals, seminaries established in His name
 - 6. Today over 2.5 billion claim to follow Him
- B. What we know about Jesus is found in the 66 books that form the Bible
- C. There are 20 non-biblical historical writers who wrote about Jesus during the time the New Testament was being written and compiled
 - 1. Tacitus Roman Historian
 - 2. Josephus Jewish Historian
 - 3. Celsus Greek Philosopher
- D. Jesus is found throughout the Bible
 - 1. Prophetic themes
 - 2. Prophecy chapters
 - 3. Picture
 - 4. Pattern
 - 5. Person

II. What did He fulfill as the supernatural Son of God

- A. Fulfilled prophecies
 - 1. When He would be born
 - 2. His genealogy
 - 3. His works
 - 4. His death
 - 5. His resurrection
- B. The pictures, the patterns

III. What did He do?

- A. The miracles no one had ever done
- B. The sacrificial death
- C. He arose from the dead
- D. He ascended into heaven
- E. He promised to return

IV. What did He claim?

- A. To see Him was to see God
- B. He was/is the great "I Am"
- C. He shares the glory of God (John 17:1-5)
- D. The way, truth, life The living water The bread of life The resurrection and life
- E. God became flesh and dwelt among us (Immanuel)

V. What did He prove?

- A. That He was God in human flesh
- B. That the Bible is true
- C. That death is defeated
- D. That grace and forgiveness are ours
- E. That God is for us
- F. That abundant living can be ours
- G. That heaven awaits

VI. What does this mean for you and me?

- A. That life abundant can be yours
 - 1. New purpose
 - 2. New meaning
 - 3. New way of living
 - 4. New life
- B. Don't have to carry guilt, shame, and despair
- C. God is your heavenly dad
- D. His life is now in your life
- E. You have eternal life

This Is Who Jesus Is