

Life Group Notes 13th September 2020

The Uniqueness of Jesus

What did God speak to you about on Sunday? What can you remember from Si's message?

Jesus Christ is the Lord of history, the focus of scripture and the only saviour of the world, he should therefore be the Lord of your life, the focus of all you do and the hope you are building your life on.

Jesus is the LORD of History - Read Col 1v15-20 and discuss what this amazing scripture teaches us and how the truth of it should effect the way we think and live? E.g. Everything is made for Jesus and by Jesus therefore everything in my life should be built around him and bringing him glory in our work, rest and play (you could ask what that looks like practically etc). Jesus holds everything together is just mind blowing how should that impact us? Thankfulness, worship, reverential fear, increased submission to his will etc.

Jesus is the focus of scripture – Si showed a table based on John Stotts analysis of how the New Testament focuses on Jesus. However as Jesus made clear in Luke 24v25-27 the Old Testament points forward to him too. Does anyone know any OT verses that point to or are fulfilled in Christ? Why not look at some of the following and discuss how they are fulfilled in Christ?

- Gen3v15 (Christ crushed Satan's head whilst the bruising of the heel speaks of the suffering Jesus endured on the cross)
- Gen 12v1-3 (All families are blessed through Christ)
- Deut18v15-19 (Book of John and Acts identify this prophet like Moses as Jesus)
- Ps 22 (Matt 27v32-54 draws on this Ps to show how Jesus is the fulfilment of it)
- Is 9v2- 7 (Used most Christmas times)
- Is 11v1-5, Daniel 7v13-14, Micah 5v2-5 (Links to Jesus are all fairly clear in these passages)

Jesus is the saviour of the world – History, is His Story it is no small thing to ignore Jesus or think less of him than is true, peoples eternity rests on its John 3v16-18. With this in mind our job as his followers is to make him known and point people to him. So, get everyone to give the names of 3 people they would like to see come to Jesus, write them on a bit of paper for all to see and pray for them. Keep the list to pray for this group over the next few weeks as a group and encourage them to invite those people to the Alpha course starting on 1st Oct.

Book that we are recommending people read alongside the bible this series is, **The Incomparable Christ** by J. Oswald Sanders.