

“Who Is Jesus Christ?”
John 6:1-71

I. Jesus is a real, historical _____.

- A. The Scriptures affirm the historicity of Jesus.
- B. Secular historians, philosophers, and writers of the era affirm the historicity of Jesus.
 - 1. Tacitus, *Annals*, Quote.
 - 2. Seutonius, *Life of Claudius*, Quote.
 - 3. Suetonius, *Lives of the Caesars*, Quote.
 - 4. Josephus, *Annals*, Quote #1.
 - 5. Josephus, *Annals*, Quote #2.
 - 6. Mara Bar-Serapion Quote.
 - 7. Listing of other writers.
- C. Jewish writings affirm the historicity of Jesus.
 - 1. Talmud, *Berakot*, Quote.
 - 2. Talmud, *Sanhedrin*, Quote.

(Matthew 21:11; Luke 18:37; John 6:14-15, 41-42, 66; 7:41)

II. Jesus claimed to be _____.

(John 5:25-29; 6:35, 39-40, 41, 44, 45-51, 53-55; 10:30; 11:25-26; 14:6)

III. Jesus has tremendously impacted the _____.

- A. Jesus’ disciples were martyred for their faith in Christ.
- B. Unbelievers in Jesus’ time became believers and were martyred for their faith in Christ.

1. Jesus' brother James.
 2. Jesus' brother Jude.
 3. The Apostle Paul.
- C. The growth of the church.
1. Started in Jerusalem.
 2. Spread by peaceful means.
 3. The resurrection was never shown to be false.
- D. Jesus is still impacting people today.

(John 7:5; 1 Corinthians 15:3-11)

Scripture References and Notes

Matthew 21:11

And the crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee."

Luke 18:37

They told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by

John 7:41

Others were saying, "This is the Christ." Still others were saying, "Surely the Christ is not going to come from Galilee, is He?"

John 5:25-29

²⁵ Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. ²⁶ For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself; ²⁷ and He gave Him authority to execute judgment, because He is *the* Son of Man. ²⁸ Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, ²⁹ and will come forth; those who did the good *deeds* to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil *deeds* to a resurrection of judgment.

John 10:30

I and the Father are one."

John 11:25-26

²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

John 14:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.

John 7:5

For not even His brothers were believing in Him.

1 Corinthians 15:3-11

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep; ⁷ then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles; ⁸ and last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared to me also. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, and not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me. ¹¹ Whether then *it was* I or they, so we preach and so you believed.