

Who is Jesus| *what it means to come to faith*

Jesus as Son of Man

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Matthew 26:57-66

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Introduction: Who is Jesus? What does it mean to come to faith? To some he was a spiritual sage or inspirational model. To others he was a figment of his followers' imagination or an overhyped fraud. Whoever he was, the figure of Jesus has received the devotion of countless people throughout history and changed the course of history like none other. Who did he claim to be? What do the early records show? What does it mean to come to faith in him today?

Prayer: Holy God, help us to know more of who you are as we discuss this text together. Amen.

Review: What is your "If only..."? Were you able to accept the rest that Jesus provides? How did that show in your life this week?

Read: Matthew 26:57-66

Discussion:

1. What did the false witnesses say about who Jesus is? What part was true and what part was false? See also Mark 14:55-59
2. What was the charge brought against Jesus for which He was executed? Was this charge true? Was it worthy of death? See also Mark 14:62-64
3. How is the Son of Man described in Daniel's vision in Daniel 7:13-14?
4. Jesus spoke of himself often as the Son of Man. What attributes of the Son of Man do you see in these verses? Matthew 9:6; 12:8; 20:28; Mark 8:31; Luke 19:10; John 8:28. (For more verses search "son of man" in a Bible app.) How does this help you to answer the question, "Who is Jesus?"

Application: What attribute of Jesus from question 4 is new or meaningful to you? Spend some time this week thinking about how that attribute helps you to know Jesus better.

Prayer: Almighty God, thank you for your Word which helps us to see you in your fullness. Help us to remember what we have learned throughout our week. Amen