

Study Guide 1

JESUS: IN THE BEGINNING

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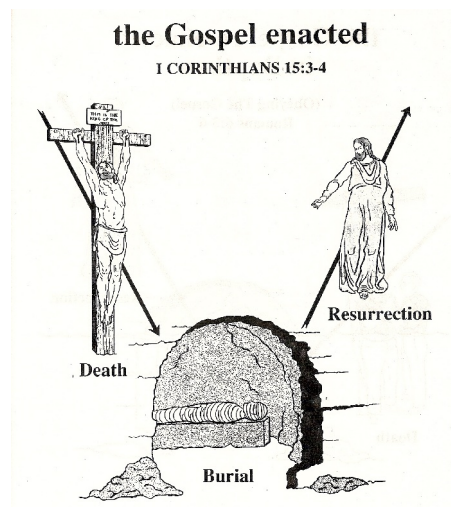


JESUS¹

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

- 1) Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand.
- 2) By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.
- 3) For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,
- 4) that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.

- 1-1 The word "GOSPEL" has many different definitions. Which one do you think of first?
- 1-2 V.2 We are saved by the gospel. T F
- 1-3 V.3 The gospel is the most important thing we can study in the Bible. T F
- 1-4 V.3-4 The biblical definition of the gospel is: The _____, the _____ and the resurrection of Jesus.



In the Beginning

1-5 The best place to start a study of a person is with their origin. T F

(Gen 1:1-2)

1) In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

2) Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.

1-6 V.1 In the beginning _____ created everything.

- a. God
- b. gods

1-7 Christians believe in _____ God(s).

- a. 1
- b. 3

1-8 V.2 Mentioning the Spirit of God shows a plural nature in God. T F

(Gen 1:26-27)

26) Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

27) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

1-9 V.26 Let _____ make man in _____ image.

- a. me -- my
- b. us -- our

1-10 To whom was God talking? _____

(John 1:1-3)

1) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

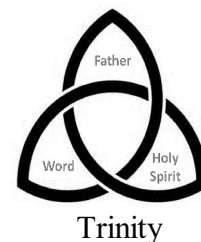
2) He was with God in the beginning.

3) Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.

1-11 V.1 Was the Word with God? Y N

1-12 Was the Word also God? Y N

1-13 V.3 Was the world created through the Word? Y N



(John 1:14, 17)

14) The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

17) For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

1-14 Who is the Word? _____

(Heb. 1:1-3)

1) In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways,

2) but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

3) The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

1-15 V.2 God the Father made the universe through His Son. T F

1-16 V.3 Jesus Christ exactly represents God's being. T F

(Heb. 1:8)

But about the Son he [God, the Father] says, "Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever, and righteousness will be the scepter of your kingdom."

1-17 Is the Son called God by God himself? Y N

So What?

(John 8:24)

[Jesus] I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am the one I claim to be, you will indeed die in your sins.

1-18 Will we die in our sins if we do not believe in the same Jesus He claimed to be? Y N

1-19 What event proved Jesus right and substantiated everything He ever said? _____

Recap

1-20 Is God the creator? Y N

1-21 Is Jesus the creator? Y N

1-22 Is Jesus God? Y N

1-23 Is it all right to believe in a different Jesus than the one the Bible teaches? Y N

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JESUS: HIS TIME ON EARTH

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JESUS1

His Time on Earth

(Phil 2:5-8)

5) Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

6) Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped,

7) but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

8) And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death-- even death on a cross!

- 2-1 V.6 Did the Word think His equality with God, the Father, was something to which He always had to grasp tightly? Y N
- 2-2 V.7 What does it mean He "made himself nothing" (literally "emptied himself")?

- 2-3 V.7 Jesus, who was in His nature, deity, took on the nature of a human. T F
- 2-4 V.8 How obedient did Jesus become? _____
- 2-5 In one word, why would He give up so much to die on a cross? _____

How Human was He?

(Heb. 2:14-18)

14) Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death--that is, the devil-
15) and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.

16) For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham's descendants.

17) For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people.

18) Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

- 2-6 V.14 One reason Jesus came was to destroy the work of the devil. T F
- 2-7 V.15 Was another reason He came, to free us from the fear of death? Y N
- 2-8 V.17 The Word became flesh and blood and was made like us in *a few* ways. T F

(Heb. 4:14-16)

14) Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

15) For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet was without sin.

16) Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

- 2-9 V.18 Is Jesus able to help you when you are being tempted? Y N
- 2-10 V.15 Is Jesus able to sympathize with our weaknesses? Y N
- 2-11 Does Christ know from experience the pressure that comes from being tempted to sin? Y N

The Gospel in One Verse

(2 Cor 5:21)

God made him [Jesus] who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

- 2-12 Did Jesus ever sin? Y N
- 2-13 Jesus knows what it is to be separated from God, the Father, because of sin. T F

Recap

- 2-14 Does Jesus really know how hard it is to be human? Y N
- 2-15 When you are in real need, do you believe Jesus can and wants to help you? Y N
- 2-16 Reflect on a time when you have had a lot of hardship (such as betrayal, abandonment, rejection or loss): _____

- 2-17 Was there ever a time when Jesus experienced the same kind of hardship? _____

(I suggest a reading of the Gospel of Mark to find the answer to the above question)

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JESUS1

Review of Previous Lesson

In part one of More Than This we began in the beginning and looked at who Jesus was before He came to Earth. We discovered that His name was the Word and that He was God. He is the second person in the Trinity we also know as the Son. He was spirit, the creator and was equal with the Father and the Holy Spirit. After studying His origin we then looked at who He was while here on Earth. We learned that when the Word became flesh he added to His divine nature, human nature. When God, the Word, became Jesus Christ He gave up the glory, rights, privileges and prerogatives that came with being God Almighty. We finished part one by realizing that since Jesus has experienced humanity He knows what it is like and how difficult being human in a sinful world is. He is sympathetic and able to help us in our times of need. No wonder they call him the Savior

3-1 I am ready to learn more about God's will for me today. Y N

He is Exalted

(Phil 2:9-11) Therefore God exalted him [Jesus] to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, {10} that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, {11} and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

3-2 V.9 God _____ Him to the _____ place.

3-3 V.11 Will everyone eventually confess that Jesus is Lord? Y N

3-4 What does it mean that Jesus Christ is Lord?

(Eph 1:18-22) I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, {19} and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of his mighty strength, {20} which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, {21} far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. {22} And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything . . .

3-5 V.20 After the Father raised Jesus from the dead, He put Him at His right hand. T F

3-6 V.21 Christ has ALL - - SOME rule, authority and power.

3-7 V.22 What did God place under His Son's control? _____

His Authority

(1 Peter 3:21-22) and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also--not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, {22} who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand--with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

3-8 Even angels are in submission to Jesus. T F

(2 Kings 19:35) That night the angel of the LORD went out and put to death a hundred and eighty-five thousand men in the Assyrian camp. When the people got up the next morning--there were all the dead bodies!

3-9 Since this is an example of what just one angel can do, imagine what it means that Christ has authority over all the angels!

Jesus' own Testimony

(Matthew 28:18-20) Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. {19} Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, {20} and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

3-10 V.18 Did Jesus Christ, Himself, say that he has all authority? Y N

So What?

(Revelation 19:16) On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

3-11 Just because the Bible says that Jesus is Lord doesn't mean He is Lord of your life. Only you can place Him in this position.

3-12 Are you willing to give Jesus all authority in your life? Y N

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How We Know What the Lord Wants

(John 12:47-50) As for the person who hears my words but does not keep them, I do not judge him. For I did not come to judge the world, but to save it. {48} There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words; that very word which I spoke will condemn him at the last day. {49} For I did not speak of my own accord, but the Father who sent me commanded me what to say and how to say it. {50} I know that his command leads to eternal life. So whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say.

4-1 V.47 When Jesus came to the earth the first time it was to _____ it.

4-2 V.48 On the last day what will judge us? _____

4-3 Which is the most important?

- A. Jesus word.
- B. What others have taught us.

4-4 If you found that your minister, family or friends have taught you something different than what the Bible teaches, what should you do with those beliefs? _____

4-5 If I don't have the verses to support it then I don't have to comply with it. T F

Jesus: in the End

(John 5:26-29) For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself. {27} And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man. {28} Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice {29} and come out--those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned.

4-6 V.27 The Father has given the Son the authority to judge. T F

(2 Cor 5:10) For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

4-7 Jesus will judge people by how they have lived. T F

Beyond John 3:16

(John 3:16-18) For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. {17} For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. {18} Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

4-8 V.16 Believers will be _____

4-9 V.18 Unbelievers are _____

(2 Th 1:7-10) . . . This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. {8} He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. {9} They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power {10} on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed . . .

4-10 The second time Jesus comes it will be to the earth it will be to _____ it.

4-11 V.8 Who are those He will punish?

1. _____

2. _____

Recap

4-12 Jesus is Lord and has all authority in heaven and on earth. T F

4-13 Jesus is the judge of the world. T F

4-14 I, personally, won't go to heaven unless I learn and do what Jesus commands. T F

4-15 I want to learn and do what Jesus Christ commands. T F

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