

# THE GOSPEL OF LUKE

JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF MAN

LUKE CHAPTER 9:18-27

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## "WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT JESUS CHRIST?" – PART 1

*THE HUMANITY AND DIVINITY OF JESUS CHRIST,  
THE SON OF GOD, AND THE SON OF MAN*

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Three of the four gospel accounts record this event.  
each of three focus on a particular aspect of the event.

## "Who Do People Say That I AM?"

This Now Brings About The Final Phase in the Ministry of Jesus Christ,

There Are Those Changes of the Season that You Can "Feel"

**Here, in Luke 9 – The "Feeling" that the season is changing is in the air.**

**the question was first asked by Herod in verse 9.**

**THAT QUESTION SET UP AN OPPORTUNITY  
FOR THE LORD TO ANSWER THE MOST IMPORTANT QUESTION YOU WILL EVER  
ASK IN THIS LIFE.**

**WHO IS THIS JESUS CHRIST?  
Jesus Answered Herod's Question**

by Feeding 5,000 men.

**Why This, Why Now?**

Jesus' Galilean ministry is drawing to a close.  
Jesus will begin His journey toward Jerusalem and to His death.

**Luke 9:51**

Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up,  
that He **steadfastly** set His face to go to Jerusalem,

**John 18:37**

...For this **cause** I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world.

**WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT JESUS CHRIST**

**1.) When it comes to who He is?**

**v.18-19**

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**Caesarea Philippi;**

- Named after Augustus Caesar
- Dedicated to the glory of Rome

The Citizens were required to proclaim "**Caesar is Lord** "

**1a.) Some people will say anything**

**v.18**

And it happened, as He was alone praying, *that* His disciples joined Him,  
and He asked them, saying, "Who do the **crowds** say that I am?"

**People Will Say**

He was a great teacher, the pinnacle of moral perfection, the picture perfect  
role model for every man.

## No Way Can That be True

because when you read what Jesus said about Himself, about you and I and the world, He is either the Lord God of Heaven, or He's a Lunatic.

### Lord or Lunatic?

"I am The Bread of Life"

### Lord or Lunatic?

"I am the Way the Truth and Life, no Man Comes to the Father but Through Me."

### Lord or Lunatic?

I Am the Resurrection and the Life,  
he who believes in me, even though he dies, yet he shall live."

### Lord or Lunatic?

"I am the Light of the World."

## **Popular Opinion is Fickle**

There have been those who said that Jesus was an angel  
(why?) – because they see in Jesus heavenly sweetness.

others have said that He was a spirit being  
(why?) – because they see in Jesus another realm.

some have said that Jesus came from the mother ship  
(why?) – because they see in Jesus a dimension

Those of the Jehovah's Witness Cult  
say that Jesus is actually Michael the Archangel and not the Lord.

### The Maharishi Mihas Yogi

Declares that Jesus is in a Long Line of Enlightened Masters of the Mysticism.

### Lord Maitreya

is saying that he is the same as Jesus of the last days...

## **WHEN IT COMES TO WHO HE IS...**

***1b.) Some people will say He's one of the ways to God v.19a***

So they answered and said,  
"John the Baptist, but some say Elijah;

# They Answered Reluctantly, with Hesitation.

**1c.) Some people will say He's a great prophet**

**v.19b**

...others say that one of the old prophets has risen again.”

## **Luke 12:9**

But he who denies Me before men will be denied before the angels of God.

## **Our Muslim Friends and Islam Teaches**

That Jesus was a Prophet, Nothing More, Nothing Less.  
That He was a Prophet – Yet Mohammad is Greater Than Jesus.

At Home, In Your House is Your Childs 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies Textbook; “Across The Ages” Mohammad Taught That Jesus was a Prophet.

Islam Teaches That... Mohammad Said Jesus is a Prophet, Nothing More. He was Not the Son of God

## **1 John 2:22-23**

Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. :23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

## **Philippians 2:11**

and *that* every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ *is* Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **Acts 2:36-38**

“Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both **Lord** and **Christ**.” :37 Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?” :38 Then Peter said to them, “Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ

# Yet Jesus Said...

## **John 8:24**

Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am *He*, you will die in your sins.”

## **1 John 4:1-3**

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world.

**1 John 4:2** By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God,

**1 John 4:3** and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the *spirit* of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.

## So What's The "How, What, When, Where & Why" For Our Lives?

### WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT JESUS CHRIST?

#### 2.) *What's your answer?*

v.20-22

:20 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said, "The Christ of God."  
:21 And He strictly warned and commanded them to tell this to no one, :22 saying, "The Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised the third day."

#### 2a.) *Who is the Biblical Jesus in your life?*

v.20a

He said to them, "But who do *you say* that I am?"

#### 2b.) *Is Biblical Jesus your Personal Salvation?* v.20b-21

Peter **answered** and said, "The Christ of God." :21 And He **strictly warned** and **commanded** them to tell this to no one,

Peter **answered** and said, "The Christ of God."

Matthew gives the greatest detail

#### **Matthew 16:13-18**

When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"

**Matthew 16:14** So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

**Matthew 16:15** He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

**Matthew 16:16** Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

**Matthew 16:17** Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven.

**Matthew 16:18** And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

### this was a **declaration**

*dec·la·ra·tion n*

an emphatic and formal public statement, the announcing of a particular fact.

if you are entering a foreign country and as you approach the customs officer, he asks you, "Do You Have Anything to Declare" what do you say?

You Say Yes, I Do,

"I Declare That Jesus Christ is Lord to The Glory of God"

**Matthew 10:32-33**

Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. :33 But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.

**Mark 8:30-31**

Then he charged them that they should tell no man about him. And he **began** to teach them, that the Son of man **must suffer** many things, and **be rejected** of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and **be killed**, and after three days **rise again**.

**Romans 10:9**

that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

**Romans 10:10** For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

**Romans 10:13**

For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved."

**1 Corinthians 1:2**

To the church of God which is at Corinth, (Chino Hills) to those who are **sanctified** in Christ Jesus, **called to be saints**, with all who - in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord...

**It's Not Saying It,  
It's Believing It That Makes It to Benefit You.**

**WHAT'S YOUR ANSWER?**

**2c.) Is the Biblical Jesus the Jesus you need?**

**v.21-22**

Jesus said; "**The Son of Man** (1) must suffer many things, and (2) be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and (3) be killed, and (4) be raised the third day."

**The Son of Man**

{meaning, He was in our place before the Father}

Before The Throne of God; is an awesome scene.

**Revelation 4:7-8**

The first living creature was like a **lion**, the second living creature like an **ox**, the third living creature had a face like a **man**, and the fourth living creature was like a flying **eagle**. :8 The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying:

"Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!"

## The Four Faces of Christs Ministry.

### **In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus is Introduced as;**

the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, The King of the Jews.  
Kings are Represented as a **Lion**

### **In Mark's Gospel Jesus is Introduced as;**

the servant of all, the burden bearer, more miracles are recorded in Mark than any other gospel.

### **In Luke's Gospel Jesus is Introduced as;**

as the son of man, representing mankind and his humanity.  
that Christ the savior is the Lord in human form. **man**

### **In John's Gospel Jesus is Introduced as;**

the God of deity. the very God of Very God. **eagle**

what "kind" of savior would you be interested in?

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*End of Study*