

Week 9

“When you raise the question who was Jesus most people will readily say he was a good man. After all think about the things he said and the things he did.” Dr. Daniel Akin

(I) WAS JESUS GOD?

(A) C.S. Lewis who was perhaps the greatest apologist in the previous century basically said for us to consider Jesus requires us to put him in one of three or four categories.

- (1) He was a liar
- (2) He was a lunatic (3) He was a legend (4) He was the Lord.

(II) THE EVENT

Question: What event does Dr. Akin say proves without doubt that Jesus is God?

Answer: The resurrection

(III) WHAT OTHERS SAY ABOUT JESUS

(A) The Apostle John Says.....

(B) The Apostle Paul says...

(IV) WHAT JESUS SAYS ABOUT HIMSELF

“He who has seen me has seen the Father, the Father and I are one.” - John 14:9

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

(1) Why is it important to recognize Jesus as God?

Reference: Psalms 148:13, Hebrews 7:26-28

(2) Since Scripture tells us to worship both God the Father and His Son Jesus, in what other ways are we to respond to them?

Reference: 1 John 5:2, Matthew 16:24

(3) If Jesus is God, his words and commands are just as authoritative, what are some of Christ notable commands we at times fail to obey?

Reference: Matthew 28:16-20

KEY VERSES

John 5:18, 8:24, 8:58, 10: 30-33, 17:5, John 20:28, Col 2:9, Phil 2:5-8, Heb 1:8

ADDITIONAL READINGS

-Jesus: The Greatest Life of All, *Charles Swindoll*.

-I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist, *Norm Geisler and Frank Turek*.

-Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message, *Ravi Zacharias* -Jesus the Son of God: A Christological Title Often Overlooked, Sometimes Misunder

stood, and Currently Disputed, *D. A. Carson*

-Jesus: The Only Way to God: Must You Hear the Gospel to be Saved? *John Piper*