



Introduction:

- We are seeking to better appreciate Jesus the Son of God by looking at different aspects of who and what He is.
- We have looked more closely at His birth and the things we can glean from those events but what about His life?
- What was it about His life that turned people's lives upside down? What about His life makes such a large impact on our lives and others today?

I. The Expectation Of His Life

- A. Genesis 12:3 – “and in _____ all the _____ of the _____ shall be _____.”
- B. God makes a covenant with _____ - 2 Samuel 7:8-16
- C. What was prophesied in Malachi 4? _____

II. He Came From Where?

- A. After calling Andrew and Peter He finds _____ and then he goes and finds _____ who says – (John 1:46) “Can anything _____ come out of _____?”
- B. Matthew 13:53-58: Jesus is in His hometown (v.55) – “Is not this the _____ son?”
- C. They were thinking more of noble birth and blood, a great warrior and great man of stature.

III. What Did He Just Say?

- A. Who is the greatest teacher of all time? Why?
- B. By our subjective standards how successful was Jesus?
- C. Matthew 5:3-12 – DO WHAT? This is the great Messiah?

IV. He Did What?

- A. There are people who are fine with laying down edicts and orders but there are fewer who are ever willing to do what they have asked others to do.
- B. Throughout Jesus's ministry He said some pretty hard things
- C. John 12:47-50 – whose words will judge us? _____
- D. And yet He LIVED what he taught

V. What Do Others See?

- A. We can understand why people of Christ's day were surprised that He came from where he did. But would people be surprised to see Jesus in your life?
- B. Jesus's teachings were hard and turned people away and went against the norm and He ultimately suffered rejection and persecution for His teaching. Are we willing to teach others His message and say some hard things sometimes “as fits the occasion” and possibly suffer rejection and persecution for His name?
- C. Jesus not only taught how to live in His kingdom but he set forth the perfect example in living it. Are we truly living as kingdom citizens and putting His teaching in our lives or are we much like the Pharisees and outwardly appear righteous but inwardly full of dead men's bones?

Conclusion:

- Christ's life was one of love, humility, compassion, gentleness, mercy, grace, suffering, sacrifice, obedience, joy, and victory. And because of His life we have a hope of eternal life.