

Who is JESUS?

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The Example to Follow

Jesus fulfilled hundreds of Old Testament prophecies. He matched the fingerprint God had provided so that people could know when the Savior had arrived. Jesus was real. He was really born to a real mother in a real place. He really grew up and lived a real life. Jesus isn't a myth or a fairytale. Jesus was a real person. And Jesus really died. He really gave his life for our sins. But Jesus didn't stay dead, and that proves he is the Son of God.

So 2,000 years after he lived, died, and was raised, why should we care? What does all that have to do with us? Why should we pay attention? Why is it still worth learning about today? Because Jesus is THE example—the BEST example of all—to follow.

For to this you have been _____,
because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an
_____, so that you might
_____ in his steps. (1 Pet 2:21)

Jesus himself told the apostles on his last night with them before his death on the cross:

“For I have given you an example, that _____
also should do just as ____ have done to you.”
(John 13:15)



All along, Jesus was looking for more than attention. He was seeking more than people who would just listen to what he had to say. From the very beginning, Jesus has been looking for followers. What's that going to look like for us today? As he who is calling us is holy, we need to learn to be holy in all our conduct (1 Pet 1:14-16). Listen to how Paul made it clear to young Timothy in 1 Timothy 4:12:

Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in...

- ❖ Speech: what I _____
- ❖ Conduct: how I _____
- ❖ Love: how I _____
- ❖ Faith: what I _____
- ❖ Purity: what I _____

Jesus is THE example to follow and as we follow him, we are being trained to be like him.

A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully _____ will be _____ his teacher. (Luke 6:40)

The more we follow him, the more we will grow to be like Jesus, so let's talk about it...



