

Jesus STEP 1B

Understanding who Jesus is, lies at the heart of the Christian faith. His identity as the Son of God, Savior, and Lord shapes our relationship with God and our purpose in life.

Let's explore key scriptures to reveal Jesus' nature, mission, and significance, encouraging us to reflect on how we respond to Him.

1. Jesus is the Son of God

John 1:1, 14

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed his glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth."

2. Jesus is the Savior

Luke 2:11

"Today in the city of David a Savior was born for you, who is the Messiah, the Lord."

3. Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life

John 14:6

"Jesus told him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"

4. Jesus is the Good Shepherd

John 10:11

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

5. Jesus is the King of Kings

Revelation 19:16

"On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written: King of kings and Lord of lords."

Jesus is fully God and fully human, sent to reconcile humanity to God through His life, death, and resurrection.

Colossians 1:15-16

"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For everything was created by him, in heaven and on earth, the visible and the

invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through him and for him."

His mission was to seek and save the lost, offering salvation to all who believe.

Luke 19:10

"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost."

Through His sacrifice, Jesus provides forgiveness and eternal life.

1 Peter 2:24

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree; so that, having died to sins, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

Jesus calls us to follow Him, trusting in His lordship and living according to His teachings.

Matthew 16:24

"Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to follow after me, let him deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me.'"

1. Based on John 1:1, 14 and Colossians 1:15-16, how would you describe Jesus' divine and human nature in your own words? Why is it significant that He is both fully God and fully human?
2. Luke 2:11 and Luke 19:10 emphasize Jesus as the Savior. What does it mean to you personally that Jesus came to "seek and save the lost"? How does this shape your understanding of His love and purpose?
3. In John 14:6, Jesus declares He is the way, the truth, and the life. How does this statement challenge or encourage you in your daily life, especially in a world with many competing beliefs and philosophies?
4. John 10:11 and 1 Peter 2:24 describe Jesus as the Good Shepherd who lays down His life. How have you experienced or observed Jesus' sacrificial love in your life or others'? What does it mean to live for righteousness in response to His sacrifice?
5. Matthew 16:24 calls us to follow Jesus by denying ourselves and taking up our cross. What are some practical ways you can live out this call in your daily decisions and relationships? How does recognizing Jesus as the King of kings (Revelation 19:16) influence your commitment to follow Him?