

# LESSON ONE

WHO

CHRIST?

Focus: Jesus Christ is God in human form, saving mankind.

Objectives: At the conclusion of the lesson the learner should be able to:

List three passages that claim Jesus is God, in human form.

Discuss the significance of the resurrection.

Summarize why the resurrection validates Christ's claim to be God, therefore Savior.

## OUTLINE

	<u>Content</u>	<u>Teaching Method</u>
<u>Involve:</u>	Newspaper story using Phil. 2:5-11	
<u>Explore:</u>		
	I. Jesus is God	Mini-lecture. w/Matching.
	II. Jesus is Man	Mini-lecture.
	III. Jesus is God in human form	Discussion. Agree/Disagree.
<u>Apply:</u>	<u>Summarize</u> why the resurrection validates Christ's claim to be God, therefore Savior.	

# TEACHER'S PLAN FOR LESSON ONE

## WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

Involvement: Newspaper story using Phil. 2:5-11 - write the headlines and opening paragraph, answering the journalistic questions, "who, what, when, where, how and why?", for the life of Christ. Share several with the entire group.  
(15 min.)

Explore:  
(15 min.) Step 1.

I. **Jesus is God.** Begin with a short lecture highlighting the four major elements under I. Jesus is God. Direct each student to the matching exercise. Each should look up the verse and place the correct number next to the claim.

(5 min.) Step 2.

II. **Jesus is Man.**

Mini-lecture  
on Jesus' human  
characteristics.

(20 min.) Step 3.

III. **Jesus is God in human form** - Mini-lecture then Discussion questions from I Cor. 15:1-17. Split into groups of 4-5 in each group. Move through the discussion questions in each group. With a partner complete the agree/disagree statements. Summarize their findings.

Apply: Summarize why the resurrection validates Christ's claim to be God, therefore Savior.  
(10 min.)

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### Involve: (15 min.)

Newspaper story -using Phil. 2:5-11, write the headlines and opening paragraph answering the journalistic questions, "who, what, when, where, how and why?" for the life of Christ. Share several with the entire group.

### Explore: (40 min.)

#### I. Jesus is God.

- A. He is called God by the Bible, John 1: 1, 20: 38, Col. 1:15-18; 2:9, Phil. 2:5-11.
- B. Jesus Himself claimed to be God. John 10:30-33, John 5:17,18.
- C. Jesus claimed that which only God could claim.

Look up the following verses, Match to the appropriate claim by placing the correct number in the blank beside the claim,

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|-------------------|--------------------------|
| (1) Matt 28: 18   | (3) Forgive sins         |
| (2) John 8:58     | (1) All authority        |
| (3) Matt 9:1-8    | (4) Peers called him God |
| (4) Matt 16:15-17 | (2) Eternal              |
- D. Men living at the time of Jesus called Him God. John 1:49; 20:25-28, Matthew 16:15-17.

#### II. Jesus is Man

- A. He was born of a woman  
Matthew 1: 18-25 Galatians 4:4
- B. He developed as man does  
Luke 2:39-52
- C. He had human needs  
Matthew 4:2 John 4:5,6  
John 11: 35

#### III. Jesus is God in human form, Savior of mankind I Cor 15:1-11.

- A. He was born to save  
Matthew 1:21 Luke 19:10  
I Timothy 1:15



# STUDENT STRUCTURED NOTES FOR LESSON ONE

## WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

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Explore: I. Jesus is God.

A.

B.

C. Jesus claimed that which only God could claim.

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II. Jesus is Man.

A.

B.

C.

III. Jesus is God in human form,               I Cor. 15:1-17.  
Savior of mankind.

A.

B.

C.

D.

E. Discussion questions I Cor, 15:1-17.

Read I Cor. 15:1-17 and answer the following:

1. Who's writing? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Who was Paul? \_\_\_\_\_
3. To whom did Jesus appear? \_\_\_\_\_ How many eyewitnesses? \_\_\_\_\_
4. Why is that significant? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Look up Acts 9 - recount Saul's conversation \_\_\_\_\_
6. Paul is speaking from experience - is that valid? \_\_\_\_\_  
Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_
7. In verse 12-17 what is Paul's point? \_\_\_\_\_

Agree/disagree:

Read the following statements and discuss with a partner. Use "A" for agree and "D" for disagree.

- \_\_\_ The wages of sin is death (Rom 6:23).
- \_\_\_ When Christ died he paid the penalty for sin.
- \_\_\_ When Christ rose from the dead he demonstrated power over death.
- \_\_\_ Christ demonstrated power (Rom 6:9,10) over death, and therefore sin.
- \_\_\_ Christ can forgive sin because he died, paid the penalty for sin and was resurrected.

Apply:

Question:            Is Jesus your Savior? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you know? \_\_\_\_\_