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SINGING TOGETHER Hope is here (Jesus saves)
Saviour of the world

PRAYER
UPDATES Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER I believe (The Creed)
BIBLE READING Luke 4:31-44 (Church Bible page 1083)
MESSAGE Taught by Pastor Phill
COMMUNION How great the chasm (living hope)
Jesus you endured my pain
In Christ alone



Like no other ~1
Why Jesus is unique.
Luke 4:31-44

'What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!' Mark 1:24 NIV

'And a huge crowd of people from all over Capernaum gathered outside the door to watch. So Jesus healed great numbers of sick people who had many different kinds of diseases, and he ordered many demons to come out of their victims. But because they knew who he was, he refused to allow the demons to speak.' Mark 1:33-34 NLT

'Now when the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various diseases brought them to him, and he laid his hands on every one of them and healed them. And demons also came out of many, crying, 'You are the Son of God!' But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Christ.'
Luke 4:40-41 ESV

1. Jesus came down from _____.

"For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me." So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?" After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him.' John 6:38, 41–66 ESV

2. Jesus performed _____.

"What about the one whom the Father set apart as his very own and sent into the world? Why then do you accuse me of blasphemy because I said, 'I am God's Son'? Do not believe me unless I do what my Father does. But if I do it, even though you do not believe me, believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father." Again they tried to seize him, but he escaped their grasp.' John 10:36–39 NIV

'They were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"' Mark 4:41 ESV

3. Jesus is _____.

'As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No-one is good—except God alone."' Mark 10:17–18 NIV

'For this reason the Jews tried all the harder to kill him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.'

John 5:18 NIV

'He remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, 'Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?' And Jesus said, 'I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.' And the high priest tore his garments and said, 'What further witnesses do we need? You have heard his blasphemy. What is your decision?'" Mark 14:61–64 ESV

"'I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!" At this, they picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus hid himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.'" John 8:58–59 NIV

"'I and the Father are one." Again the Jews picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus said to them, "I have shown you many great miracles from the Father. For which of these do you stone me?" "We are not stoning you for any of these," replied the Jews, "but for blasphemy, because you, a mere man, claim to be God.'" John 10:30–33 NIV

4. Jesus was _____.

'Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me?' John 8:46 NIV

'He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth.' 1 Peter 2:22 NIV

'And you know that Jesus came to take away our sins, for there is no sin in him.' 1 John 3:5 NLT

5. Jesus can _____.

'Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."' Luke 7:48 NIV

'When Jesus saw their faith, he said, "Friend, your sins are forgiven." The Pharisees and the teachers of the law began thinking to themselves, "Who is this fellow who speaks blasphemy? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"'" Luke 5:20–21 NIV

6. Jesus is the _____ to heaven.

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.' John 14:6 NIV



SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

1. We all meet people who have an opinion about Jesus. What are some of the things people say as to who they think Jesus is?
2. Read John 6:38–66. What were some of the reactions to Jesus?
 - Why did they react that way?
 - What hard sayings of Jesus do you struggle with?
3. Jesus was not just another great religious teacher, nor was he only another in a long line of individuals seeking after spiritual truth. He was, instead, truth itself. He was God incarnate. Why is this important, in other words why is the uniqueness of Jesus crucial in our understanding of him?
4. Why did Jesus perform many miracles while he was on earth and what do they prove about him? You may want to look up Mark 4:41 and discuss the disciples reaction and what they understood about what they saw Jesus do.
5. How would you explain the words of Jesus in John 8:46 to someone who doesn't believe?
6. Why are what Jesus says in Luke 7:48 and Luke 5:20–21 audacious words if untrue?
 - What makes his words true, and how would you explain it to an unbeliever or someone from a different religion?
7. Read John 14:6. Why do these words of Jesus demand a decision from everyone?

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