## BIBLE STUDY LESSON #1 WHO IS JESUS?

Matthew 16:13-16: <sup>13</sup>When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?" <sup>14</sup>So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some say Elijah, and others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." <sup>15</sup>He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" <sup>16</sup>Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God."

It is essential to know in whom we believe. If Jesus is **only** a man, or a teacher, or a prophet, or a philosopher, then our faith is in vain. But He is much more! In this lesson, you should learn:

- What others said about Jesus
- What Jesus said about Himself
- The Bible teaches that Jesus is God

RABBI means 'teacher' or 'master'.

**MESSIAH** or **CHRIST** means 'Anointed One' - the One promised of God as the great Deliverer.

1. Who did these people say Jesus was?

John (John 1:29, 34)	
Andrew (John 1:40-41)	
Nathaniel (John 1:49)	
Samaritans (John 4:25, 27, 39-42)	
Peter (John 6:68-69)	
Thomas (John 20:28)	

2	. Who did the Father say Jesus was?  Matthew 3:16-17
	Matthew 17:5
3	. What terms did Jesus use to describe Himself?
	John 4:25-26
	John 6:33-25
	John 9:5
	John 10:7
	John 10:36
	John 11:25 John 13:13
	John 14:6
4	Read John 10:22-23. The Jews asked Jesus for a plain answer. How did He answer? (Verse 30)  The Jews knew exactly what He meant by that answer. Who was He claiming to be? (Verse 33)  In Exodus 3:13-14, Moses asked God what he should tell the Israelites His name was. God said His name was "I AM"! In some translations, the word "he" is added in italics after "I AM" for clarification. The word "he" does not appear in the original Greek text.
5.	What happened when Jesus answered "I AM" to the Roman soldiers? (John 18:4-6)
6.	How did Jesus respond to the Jews' question of how Abraham had seen Him? (John 8:58)
	Jesus also claimed to be "I AM" in John 8:24, 28.

7. What characteristics of the Father can be seen in the Son?  (Hebrews 1:13)
8. What does Jesus say about anyone who has seen Him?  (John 14:8, 9)
The Greek word "logos," translated as "word" in the book of John, means "divine expression." When John refers to Jesus as the LOGOS or WORD, he means Jesus is the exact image of the invisible God. The Father chose to reveal Himself to us through the Son.
9. Read John 1:1-5, 14, 18  How long has the "WORD" been around?  (Verse 1)
Who does the Bible say the "WORD" is? (Verse 1)
What things were made by the "WORD"? (Verse 3)
What can be found in the "WORD"? (Verses 4, 5)
Did the "WORD" stay in Heaven only? (Verse 14)
Who has the Son revealed to us? (Verse 18)
Read Colossians 1:15-20 and compare it to the above scriptures.

10.	Whom do you say Jesus is?
11.	If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to share them with us.