



PART THREE: WHAT MAKES JESUS SO SPECIAL?

Introduction

Why does the church make such a big deal about Jesus? Wasn't he just another good teacher who offers helpful advice for healthy living? Explore the claims Jesus made about himself, and how those claims force us to decide about Jesus... and good teacher isn't one of the options.

Discussion Questions

1. What is an enlightened leader? Can you give any examples?
2. At any point in your faith journey did you ever think Jesus was an enlightened leader? What changed your mind?
3. Read *John 3: 1-20*. What do you notice? How does what Jesus says in the passage relate to addressing evil?
4. Can you recall any statements that would lead you to think Jesus spoke as someone with authority? Is he a liar, lunatic, or lord?

CHANGING YOUR MIND

"Very truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"
John 8:58 (NIV)