

Just a Thought ...

Who is this Jesus Christ, anyway? Yes, He is a historical figure; yes, He is called the Son of God, the Savior of the World, the King of kings. There are many titles for Him. Obviously, He is the central figure in the Bible. Is He anything special to you? In Christianity, He is the Creator, the Savior, the King. In other religions, He may be a prophet or a man who became God.

It seems like we had better figure out in our own lives how He fits. Atheists deny God exists because they cannot see Him or prove Him; yet, they cannot deny Christ exists because He appears in historical records outside of Christianity. But, then, Christ claimed to be God; that causes a problem for unbelievers because they may think that Christ is OK, but not believe in the existence of God.

Have you noticed that people who deny God's existence seem to spend a lot of time talking about God. They may even think Christ is the Savior of the world. My question is, "Whose Savior is He?" Could He be my Savior but not yours? If He is the Savior of the world, and you and I live in the world, then He must be the Savior from the penalty of sin for both of us.

Looks like we cannot be neutral here. Christ does not need our permission to be the Savior of the world. He is.

What am I supposed to do with Him?

Help from the Bible ...

- a. John 14:6 - Jesus said, "I am the _____, the _____ and the _____; no man comes to the _____ except through _____."

The only way to God is through Jesus Christ. Jesus is God.

- b. Hebrews 12:2 - "Looking unto _____, the author and the finisher of our faith, who for joy set before Him, endured the _____, despising the _____, and has sat down at the right side of the _____ of _____."

Jesus was willing to pay for my sin. What incredible love!

- c. Hebrews 13:8 - "Jesus Christ is the _____, yesterday, _____ and _____."
- d. John 3:16 - "For God so loved the _____ and He gave His one-and-only _____, that whosoever _____ in _____ shall not _____ but have _____ life."
- e. Romans 10:9 - "If you confess with your mouth the _____, and believe in your heart that _____ has raised Him from the dead, you will be _____."
- f. 1 Corinthians 15:57 - "But thanks be to _____, who gives us the _____ through our Lord _____."

In a world of defeated people, Jesus brings us hope & victory.