

LEARNING WITH LUKE 9:18-22 - "Who IS Jesus?" - p.1030 ESV PEW BIBLE

Luke 9:20 Then Jesus said to the disciples, "but who do you say that I am?"

CS Lewis- A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic—on a level with the man who says he is a poached egg—or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God: or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon; or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about His being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to. - Liar ~ Lunatic ~ Lord ?

1- Who do PEOPLE say I Am ? - JohnB, Elijah, prophet

Jn 6:15; Lk 9:18-19

Mt 16:13-15; Mk 8:27-28

Dt 18:15-18; Mal 4:5; Mk 6:16

JC Ryle- thousands in every age spend their lives speculating on a variety of opinions about Christ, never drawing near to God thru Him, and after all their talking will die in their sins unprepared

2- Who does PETER say Jesus is ? - the Christ of God

Luke 9:20

Mt 16:16; Mk 8:29

Psalm 2, 2 Sam 7:11b-16

Luke 4:16-21; Jer 10:10

JC Ryle- Peter's confession of great faith is mingled with much ignorance and imperfection

RC Sproul- Peter's words are not a matter of human conjecture, but of divine revelation

3- Who does JESUS say He is ? - the Son of Man

Luke 9:21-22

Mt 16:17-23; Mk 8:30-33

Dan 7:13-14; Isa 53

RC Sproul- if the Christ you're responding to is without suffering, without atonement, without incarnation, not the Messiah of God, then he is not the Biblical Christ

4- Who does PALM SUNDAY say He is ? - the King of the Lord

Lk 19:28-40; Jn 12:12-19

Mt 21:1-11; Mk 11:1-10

JC Ryle- mankind's opinions are Satan's trap. Jesus says, make up your mind about Me.

5- Who do YOU say Jesus is ? - that's how you follow Him

Luke 9:20; Mt 16:16; Mk 8:29

John 20:28; Acts 2:36, 5:31

Eph 6:10-20 - be strong in the Lord

RK Hughes- Reception or rejection of Jesus makes all the difference. We must understand He is Christ, God's Son come in the flesh, and crucified, buried, and raised from the dead, paying the full penalty for sins. He now reigns and one day will judge every human.

To be with Him in heaven, we must believe this - we must rest our lives on Him.

DAILY BIBLE READING - ENGAGE~WORD~CHURCH~COMMUNITY...

4-05 **Luke 9:18-20** - the Christ

4-06 **Luke 9:21-22** - the Cross

4-07 **Luke 19:28-40** - commended

4-08 **Luke 23:1-25** - condemned

4-09 **Luke 23:26-47** - crucified

4-10 **Luke 23:48-56** - corpse

4-11 **Luke 9:23-27** - your cross

The Spirit of God works the Word of God so the people of God become like the Son of God

♦ How will I be **transformed**, by God's truth, in the Spirit's power, as I trust & obey ?

