

WHAT ABOUT JESUS?

Jesus must be the focal point of any Christmas message!

1. Jesus was _____ in Genesis 3:14-15.
 - a. The un-named “He” in verse 15 is Jesus.
 - b. Satan will be an annoyance, irritant, and constant source of conflict.
 - c. Jesus will ignore all that, and will deliver the death blow to Satan’s efforts.

2. Jesus was a _____ at his birth. (Matthew 2:1-12, 11)
 - a. Magi were Eastern _____.
 - They originated as a tribe of Medes.
 - No Persian or Mede or Persian King was recognized without Magi blessing
 - Historians indicated that they were searching for a King to resist Rome.
 - b. These Magi retained the teachings of _____, and recognized the signs.
 - Daniel 9:24–27 gave them a timeline for the birth of the Messiah.
 - Numbers 24:17 told them to look for a star.
 - c. These Magi also recognized that this King was _____.

3. Jesus became the _____ (officially) at his baptism. (Mark 1:9-11)
 - a. Messiah is much more of a _____ or position than it is a name.
 - b. In John 4:25-26, _____ identified himself as the Messiah.
 - c. In Matthew 16:16, _____ identified Jesus as the Christ (Messiah).
 - d. As _____, Jesus is identified as both Prophet, Priest, and King.
 - He is a prophet, because He embodied and preached the Word of God
 - He is a priest, because His death atones our sins and reconciles us to the Father
 - He is a king, because after His resurrection God gave all authority to Him

4. Jesus died as the _____ sacrifice for the sins of all who would believe in Him.
- To atone means to pay the price, clear the ledger, make _____ payment
 - 1 Peter 1:18-21 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were **redeemed** from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, but with the **precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect**. He was chosen **before the creation of the world**, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. **Through him you believe in God**, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.
5. Jesus resurrection allows us to have _____ over sin and death.
- 1 Corinthians 15:54 says we are victorious at the point of our _____.
 - 1 Corinthians 15:57 says that this victory comes through _____.
 - 1 John 5:4 says that **everyone** born of God has victory over the world.
6. Jesus will one day reign as king on _____ Earth, as well as the _____ Earth.
- Revelation 20:1-6, speaks of Jesus reigning on this Earth.
 - Revelation 21:5, God is seated on the throne, ruling over the New Heaven and the New Earth.
- "He" is either specifically referring to Jesus, God the Father, or God in Trinity. In either case – It's Jesus!
7. Jesus is currently _____ the unsaved to be saved from their sin.
- Romans 3:23 tells us that "_____ have sinned"
 - Romans 6:23 tells us that "the _____ of sin is death"
 - Romans 6:23 also tells us that "the _____ of God is eternal life through Jesus"
 - Romans 5:8 tells us that because he loves us, Jesus _____ for us"
 - Romans 10:9-10 tell us that we must _____ in our heart, and _____ with our mouth that Jesus is our Lord, God, and Messiah, and that Jesus rose from the dead in order to be saved.

Are you ready to make the focal point of Christmas the focal point of your life?