

Who is God?

Part 2

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Jesus called himself the Son of Man.

1.) Jesus is God.

I saw someone like a son of man coming with the clouds of heaven.... He was given authority, honor, and sovereignty over all the nations of the world, so that people of every race and nation and language would obey him. His rule is eternal—it will never end.
(Daniel 7:13-14, New Living Translation 2nd Edition)

I will prove to you that the Son of Man has the authority on earth to forgive sins.” Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, “Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!”
(Matthew 9:6, NLT2)

2.) Jesus was Human.

Though he (Jesus) was God.... he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being.
(Philippians 2:6-7, NLT2)

Jesus wept.
(John 11:35, NLT2)

You keep track of all my sorrows. You have collected all my tears in your bottle. You have recorded each one in your book.
(Psalm 56:8, NLT2)

What thought has been sneaking into your mind that makes you think Jesus doesn't understand you?

What situation are you going through that makes you think you don't matter to Jesus?

What lie has the devil been feeding you that keeps you from leaning into the healing arms of Jesus, for comfort?

3.) Jesus is humble and gentle.

Foxes have dens to live in, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has no place even to lay his head.
(Luke 9:58, NLT2)

For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.
(Mark 10:45, NLT2)

Come to me.... Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
(Matthew 11: 28-29, NLT2)

Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, “Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?” “No, Lord,” she said. And Jesus said, “Neither do I. Go and sin no more.”
(John 8:10-11, NLT2)

Who is that one person God is calling you to reach out to this Easter season?

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE

Jesus said, I am the one who came to save lost people:

Jesus responded, "Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost." (Luke 19:9-10, New Living Translation 2nd Edition)

(Followed up by the life change of a heartless/greedy tax collector to an extravagantly generous follower of Jesus)

Jesus said, I am all powerful.

Jesus replied, "You have said it. And in the future you will see the Son of Man seated in the place of power at God's right hand and coming on the clouds of heaven." (Matthew 26:64, NLT2)

(Followed up by his resurrection from the dead)

Jesus said, I will come back to life after being dead.

As they went back down the mountain, he told them not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead. (Mark 9:9, NLT2)

(Following a physical transformation of Jesus and a face-to-face meeting with two dead prophets, in front of three of Jesus' disciples)

Jesus said, I give life and judge all people.

And I assure you that the time is coming, indeed it's here now, when the dead will hear my voice—the voice of the Son of God. And those who listen will live. The Father has life in himself, and he has granted that same life-giving power to his Son. And he has given him authority to judge everyone because he is the Son of Man. (John 5:25-27, NLT2)

(Following the healing of a man who had not walked for thirty-eight years!)