

The Answer is ... Jesus. What's the Question?

No matter what your problem, weakness, temptation, question, or concern, **Jesus Christ** is the answer. For example, we all wonder, “**Where did I come from?**” **Jesus** is God, Himself, the Creator of everything and of each one of us, the same as the Father and the Spirit. (John 1:1-4) The fullness of the Godhead dwells in Him in bodily form (John 1:14; Colossians 2:9) and He holds together the very creation. (Colossians 1:17)

Religious *deceivers* abound. “**Who has an authentic and undeniable background?**” **Jesus** does! You know, not just anybody could be the “Christ.” Nevertheless, in the first century (because of Old Testament prophecies), there were pretenders claiming to be the Christ! (Matthew 24:5) But no ordinary person could have controlled circumstances to fit himself into the role. In fact, the vast majority of the many ancient predictions concerning the Christ were fulfilled in Jesus by *others*, including His enemies! Amazingly, Jesus fulfilled *eight* – regarding His lineage, name, birthplace, etc.) – by the time he was two years old! [For a complete list along with OT and NT Scripture references, look to www.MyPreachingPen.com (this author’s web site) under “Bible Basics” for “Jesus Fulfilled Prophecy.”]

So, religious *confusion* abounds, too! When you ask, “**How can I find my way?**” **Jesus** is the way and the truth. (John 14:6) He came to give us “an understanding, that we may know Him who is true.” (1 John 5:20) The things written about Him give *reasons to believe!* (John 20:30-31) And His teachings guide us to relationship with God. (Matthew 28:18-20; John 8:31-32)

“**Who can save me from my sins?**” **Jesus** did miracles on earth partly to prove that He can work wonders in spiritual places, too. (Mark 2:5-11) He later died to take away sin once for all, for all time, bearing our sins in His body on the cross. (Hebrews 10:10-14; 1 Peter 2:24) This sacrifice removes God’s wrath, that is, serves as a propitiation. (1 John 2:1-2) Jesus can save you “to the uttermost.” (Hebrews 7:25)

“**How can I overcome temptation?**” **Jesus** dealt with every kind of temptation and is compassionate to those who are tempted. (Hebrews 4:15-16). He stands as an advocate on behalf of those who have died with Him spiritually, interceding to God. (Romans 8:34)

“**What do I do when someone hurts me?**” **Jesus** showed us. (1 Peter 2:21-25; John 15:18-26; Luke 6:22-23)

“**How can I learn to be more loving?**” **Jesus** showed us and taught us how. (Luke 23:34; 1 John 4:7-19)

“**How can I stop worrying?**” **Jesus** is eternal. (John 8:58) He is the beginning and the end. (Revelation 22:13) He knows what we need before we ask and tells us to focus on His righteousness and His kingdom (Matthew 6:24-34) and to cast all our cares on Him. (1 Peter 5:7; Philippians 4:6-7)

“**How can I deal with loneliness?**” **Jesus** seemed to be alone at times, but knew that the Father was always with Him (John 8:29), and promises the same comfort to his followers. (Hebrews 13:5-6; Matthew 28:20)

“**I’m afraid.**” No problem! **Jesus** casts out fear (1 John 4:17) and gives us great confidence to face both life and death. (Romans 8:37-38; 1 John 5:13)

“**Who can give my life meaning?**” **Jesus** is the life (John 14:6) and came to offer us *abundant* life. (John 10:10) He fills all in all. (Ephesians 1:23) So, no wonder He is the answer to every question!

Jesus can meet your every need, solve your problems from the past, present, and future, and answer every question. “To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity.” (2 Peter 3:18b)