



## Jesus Is...: Week 1

## Historical

**BIG IDEA:** Jesus is the fulfillment of God's will.

**SCRIPTURE:** Matthew 16:15

### **OPENING QUESTIONS**

- 1. What historical fact about Jesus seems most interesting to you?
- 2. Name one character trait your parents felt important for you to possess as an adult.

### IN THE WORD

- 1. Why is Jesus' question in Matthew 16:15 so important?
- 2. Which of the claims made in these three scriptures, Mark 2:5; John 5:24; and John 14:13, would you have had a difficult time believing if you were in Jesus' first century audience?
- 3. What does 1 John 2:5-6 mean to us today?
- 4. Explain how Matthew 16:16 impacts you?
- 5. Why do you think Jesus warned His followers not to tell others He was the Christ, the Messiah, the Savior of the world? How does that apply to us today?

#### MAKING IT PERSONAL

- 1. Why do you believe the historical record of Jesus in the Bible to be reliable?
- 2. Which prophecy about Jesus coming as Messiah fascinates you?
- 3. What one fact did you hear in the sermon, or even knew previously about Jesus, seems most compelling to share with others?
- 4. Is there someone in your life that you could explain some of your takeaways from this message or group discussion?

#### **GOD IS ONE STEP AWAY**

Who in your life needs to hear about the historical Jesus? Share with the group or a prayer partner the names of one or two people that you plan to talk with this week about Jesus.

#### **CONTINUED LEARNING**

Read Matthew 4:12-22. How does this passage challenge you?

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# **Notes & Prayers**

