



# REAL DEAL JESUS

1 JOHN 5:6-15

In the book of **1 John**, the Apostle John keeps repeating that Jesus Christ is a **BIG DEAL** because He is the **REAL DEAL**. The “real deal” in the sense that Jesus is God and as God, only Jesus can give us what we need to make this life *fulfilling* and to make life after death *fantastic*. This is something no one else can give us, nor can we earn it for ourselves. For example: John tells us that if we’re going to have forgiveness of sin and be saved from sin’s ultimate trap of Hell, then we need to be pardoned by Jesus and rescued by Jesus. If we’re going to love other people with the love of God, then we need to get that love from Jesus. If we’re going to eventually enter into the perfect, unending glory, holiness and joy of Heaven, then we need to surrender our lives in faith and faithfulness to Jesus. Add that up and you’ve got a “big deal.” In this study, not only will we see that Jesus is a *big deal* because He is the *real deal*, we’ll also see that in light of time and eternity, our Lord Jesus is our only **SMART DEAL**.

## WHAT MAKES JESUS SUCH A BIG DEAL?

1. (v. 13) Because Jesus is the key to what ...
2. (v. 14) Because Jesus is the key to what ...

## WHO SAYS THAT “JESUS THE BIG DEAL” IS THE REAL DEAL?

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## WHY IS JESUS OUR SMART DEAL?

1. (v. 6) Jesus is God Almighty ...
2. (v. 10a) Jesus wonderfully transforms lives ...
3. (v. 10b) Jesus keeps us from foolishly ...
4. (v. 11a) Jesus brings to your existence ...
5. (vv. 11b-12) Jesus is going to personally make sure that ...
6. (v. 14) Jesus will guide your steps through this life if ...

## LET’S GET REAL WITH JESUS

1. Time to give Jesus our ...
2. Time to ask Jesus for ...
3. Time to show Jesus a ...

## FOR THOUGHT & TALK

*In your small group take 5-10 minutes to review the main points of Pastor John’s message. Discuss the following questions, taking your time as the Spirit leads, realizing you don’t have to cover them all.*

1. Read aloud **1 John 5:6-15** in two different translations. How do we *not* take Christ for granted and instead keep the perspective that our Jesus is the *biggest deal* there is in all of life? What characterizes the person who is genuinely aware that “Jesus is the key” to their today and their eternity? Aren’t you glad that Jesus is the real deal?
2. **1 John 5:6** tells us that Jesus, who is God Almighty, *came a knockin’ on your door, lookin’ for you*. Why is this such an astounding statement? Why must we be humble to be able to grasp what Scripture is saying with this wonderful truth?
3. Jesus is going to be personally involved in guaranteeing that every one of your days throughout eternity will be totally magnificent. When you hear this, how does it make you feel? How does it help you perceive today?
4. If we’re going to get real with Jesus, then we need to be asking Him for wellness in our lives. Honestly, do you spend more time asking Jesus for your physical wellness or your spiritual wellness? What are some areas where you could be healthier spiritually? As each person shares their need, stop and pray for them.