

## Sermon Notes

1) Jesus didn't come to spy on you, He came to save you.

Matthew 1:23 (ESV) "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,  
and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).

John 3:16-17 (ESV) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

2) Jesus didn't come to "hope you behave," He came to help you believe.

- John 6:47 (ESV) Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.
- Romans 10:11 (ESV) For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."
- 1 John 5:13 (ESV) I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God that you may know that you have eternal life.

You can't live for God unless you live with God

3) Jesus knows you deserve the naughty list, but He took your place anyway.

Isaiah 53:5-6 (ESV) But he was pierced for our transgressions;  
he was crushed for our iniquities;  
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,  
and with his wounds we are healed.

<sup>6</sup> All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned—every one—to his own way;  
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

The Good News of Jesus applies best when you truly understand the Bad News of You.

Take God off "Your Shelf" and invite Him into "Your Self"