Jesus is Greater! 1 Peter 1:1-9

<u>Psalm 24:7-10</u> "Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. 8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. 10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD Almighty - he is the King of glory."

Mac Powell with Third Day said, "Who is this King of glory?" HIS Name is JESUS!

A reminder of who Paul said Jesus was...

Philippians 2:6-11 "[Jesus] Who being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, 7 but made HIMSELF nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross! 9 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

What information do we need to know about Jesus to spark the correct spark about HIM...

As I looked at several books and workbooks that are in my office about Jesus specifically - they all seemed to talk about proving that Jesus actually existed...

1. Before all things (Creation)

Colossians 1:15-20 "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16 for by him all things were created; things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. 17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, weather things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross."

<u>John 1:1-2</u> "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning."

<u>John 1:14</u> "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

2. Sustaining all things

<u>Hebrews 1:4</u> "So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs."

<u>Hebrews 3:3</u> "Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself."

<u>Hebrews 1:3</u> "The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

Colossians 1:17 "17 He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

3. Saving all things

<u>Revelations 17:14</u> "They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is the Lord of lords and King of kings - and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers."

Acts 4:12 "Salvation is found in no other name, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved."

<u>John 14:6</u> "I am the Way the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Jesus saves us!!!

CHALLENGE:

First, we must have HIM or more correctly HE must have all of us. HE deserves all of us.

Second, we must live like Jesus has all of us by the way we live our daily lives.

Third, I believe we must not keep HIM to ourselves. Our duty is to talk about Jesus with everyone we meet.

So what do you need to do with Jesus?

If I were you I'd do it today, now.