

## Re-Formed In Christ November 19, 2017

<sup>5</sup> Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" <sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through

John 14:5-10

## The Claims of Jesus

- 1. "I" Demands a Decision
- 2. "I Am the Way" Promises Intimacy
- 3. "I Am the Truth" Professes <u>Divinity</u>
- 4. "I Am the Life" Provides Power

"The resurrection is the revelation to chosen witnesses of the fact that Jesus who died on the cross is indeed king - conqueror of death and sin, Lord and Savior of all. The resurrection is not the reversal of a defeat but the proclamation of a victory. The King reigns from the tree. The reign of God has indeed come upon us, and its sign is not a golden throne but a wooden cross."

Lesslie Newbigin, Foolishness to the Greeks: The Gospel and Western Culture

- 1. Martin Luther's view of Jesus moved from fear to love. What do you think caused that change? What impact on Luther's life do you imagine that made?
- 2. What are you living for? What would those who know you best say is your ruling passion in life?
- 3. Why do the claims of Jesus call me to make a decision about who I believe him to be?
- 4. Why should the identity of Jesus make it impossible for his followers to look down on anyone else?
- 5. How does Christ empower you to follow and reflect him?

me. <sup>7</sup> If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? <sup>10</sup> Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work.