

THE STORY
No Ordinary Man
The Gospels
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Have you ever met someone famous?

I want to introduce you to someone who is no ordinary man.
He can change your life forever and you'll never be the same again.

HE WAS NO ORDINARY TEACHER

He was a great teacher, informative, challenging, mesmerizing, uniquely in command of the moment.

Sermon on the Mount. "In it we have the epitome of Jesus' teaching—radical, sensible, spiritual, and almost vicious in its demolition of hypocrisy." – Mark Moore

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."
Matthew 11:28-30 NIV

He used poetry, illustration, quoted scripture from the OT, He was the greatest teacher of all time.

JESUS WAS NO ORDINARY KING

The Wiseman came seeking a baby they called King of the Jews
Jesus said He was a king, but His kingdom was not of this world.
They put a sign over His head on the cross that identified Him as King of the Jews.

Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid."

¹³ But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."
Luke 14:12-14 NIV

The result of following this king is a transformed life.

Only one king laid down His life for His subjects, Jesus.

JESUS WAS NO ORDINARY MAN

He was both God and Man.

"Jesus was never less than God, never more than man." - Dann Spade

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.
Hebrews 4:15 NIV

Max Lucado – *"Let Him into the muck and mire of your world because only if we let Him in with His humanity can He pull us out."*

No one ever claimed what He claimed.
No one ever taught what He taught.
No one ever did what He did.

When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.
Acts 4:13 NIV

17 "We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.
Matthew 14:17 NIV
In the end they collected 12 baskets of left overs.

Someday when the trumpet sounds we will all fall on our knees and worship Jesus.