



## **Who is Jesus?**

Part 3: Savior of His people

### Discussion

*What does each of the following passages teach about how Jesus saves us? What are we saved from? What does he call us out of and into? What changes about us once we are his?*

**Romans 3:9-26**

**Romans 6:23**

**Ephesians 2:1-10**

**Colossians 1:13-14**

**2 Corinthians 5:21**

**Read Hebrews 10:1-18**

*How did the Old Covenant (Old Testament) sacrifices foreshadow Christ's final sacrifice?*

*How and why were the Old Covenant sacrifices incomplete?*

*How did the New Covenant sacrifice of Christ complete and replace the Old Covenant sacrifices? Why does this matter?*

*How does it feel, knowing Christ's sacrifice is sufficient (by itself) to pay for and cancel all your past, present, and future sins, thereby allowing you to stand blameless before the holy God through faith in Christ?*

*How would your experience with God change if you lived like this was true?*

*How would your view of yourself change if you lived each day as God's forgiven child?*

### Additional Study

Atonement: The work Christ did in his life (living the perfectly obedient life we do not) and death (taking our sin and dying in our place) to earn our salvation. For more on the atonement:

- Read Romans 3-8
- Listen to Pastor John's Sermons, [Sharp Edges](#) and [The King on a Cross](#).
- See, The Bible Project, [Sacrifice & Atonement](#)
- See Grudem's, [Systematic Theology](#), *The Atonement*, pp. 568-580



## **Who is Jesus?**

Part 4: King over God's Restored Kingdom

### Discussion

According to each of the following passages, in what sense has Jesus restored God's Kingdom to the earth?

**Mark 1:14-15** (*Why could Jesus say the Kingdom had come?*)

**Colossians 1:13-14**

**Colossians 2:13-15**

**Romans 6:1-4**

**Matthew 16:13-18; Acts 2**

*According to Colossians 1:13-14 and Romans 6:1-4, how are we who belong to Christ already experiencing New Covenant Kingdom life? What is true of us now that wasn't true before he made us his?*

**Read Matthew 6:10; 13:41; 19:27-30; Romans 8:22-25; 2 Peter 3:10-13; Daniel 12:1-3**

In addition to saying God's Kingdom has come, Jesus and the apostles speak of God's coming Kingdom. Theologians refer to this as the "already/not yet" reality of God's Kingdom.

*In what sense are we still waiting for God's Kingdom to come?*

*What will be different when the fullness of God's Kingdom fills the earth?*

*What does it look like practically for us to live out this "already/not" yet tension in a fallen world today?*

### Additional Study

- Listen to Pastor John's sermons, [Jesus the King or something less?](#) and [God became King](#)
- See, The Bible Project, [The Sermon on The Mount and Jesus as the new David](#).
- See Grudem's, Systematic Theology, *The Offices of Christ*, pp. 624-629