

The Word is the Messiah and the Son of God (SMBC Tuesday Night)

Scripture Text: John 12:34

What have we learned this week so far?

- Is the Beginning, John 1:1-4, 14

- Is God, John 1:1-4, 14

Tonight: Messiah and Son of God. How do we know? The Bible tells us so!

Messiah:

1. Defined: Literally "JESUS" (M-W.org) it points to no one else but Jesus Himself.
2. Where is this word found?
 - a. NT: John 1:41, 4:25
 - b. OT: Daniel 9:25, 26
 - i. Daniel (600BC), people have been looking forward to the Messiah for many years.
 - ii. The Bible (OT) gave many identifiers as to the true identity of Christ. Many have tried to be Christ (Acts 7: Theudas and Judas of Galilee; many today, Waco TX).
3. Over 300 OT prophecies concerning Christ. Think about it as building a puzzle. Have to fulfill the prophecy to get the piece; must have all pieces to the puzzle.
 - a. John 7:41-42: Seed of David
 - b. John 7:41-42: Town of Bethlehem
 - c. Mentioned in the OT: Psalm 132:11 & Jeremiah 23:5

Since Jesus is the Messiah, He is therefore the Son of God. What does the book of John say about this? (Going Numerically) "Come and See!"

- A. **1:36** John the Baptist, paved the way for Christ. One of his disciples say Jesus is the "Lamb of God" cf. Isaiah 53 prophecy.
- B. **1:41** Andrew (from above) brings Simon Peter—(also brings lad in Ch. 6). Peter's claim: "We have found Him!" Had been looking.
- C. **1:49** Nathanael—v. 46-49—Invited to see if Jesus' claims were true.
- D. **3:18** Believing in Jesus pays off well. Why? Only Begotten Son that died for your sins.
- E. **4:25** Woman at the well. V. 24; had been looking for Christ. Knew He would tell "all things."
4:29 effects of meeting Christ → wanted to tell everybody. Why? Jesus knows all and has the eternal life, v. 13-14
- F. **5:25** Jesus has just healed a lame man on the Sabbath. Jews are mad (surprise). Life comes from hearing and doing what the Son of God says. End of story.
- G. **7:26-31** They knew that Jesus would perform miracles—His miracles caused many people to believe Him. Whole purpose of miracles!!!
- H. **9:22** Jesus heals a blind man (man followed Jesus' instructions 100%). Pharisees couldn't get the answer they wanted—question parent—don't answer for fear of the Jews. Confers Christ—put out of synagogue → puts on same level as heathen.
- I. **10:24** Christ spoke plainly. He spoke so plainly that anyone can understand! He did not use words too difficult—He spoke plainly.

- J. 10:36 Jesus was sent of the Father. His whole purpose of coming to this world was to die on the Cross. When He mentioned this, He was speaking the truth and therefore not blasphemy.
- K. Lazarus 11:4 Lazarus was sick so Jesus could heal him and receive the glory. Like the blind man, had a purpose.
11:27 Martha, when questioned, said she believed. After this, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead—using him as an example. People come from all over to see Lazarus post-resurrection.
- L. 19:7 Jesus made Himself to be equal to God. He had the right to because He is. They did not realize this and they wanted to kill him.

What have we learned through looking at the Bible?

- Over 300 OT prophecies He fulfilled. Only one that could fulfill them.
- He performed miracles to help prove who He was/is.
- Sent of God to fulfill one mission.

Did Jesus do anything else? Yes. (He was human.)

John 20:30-31: POINT: What we have learned from it. How to have eternal life? Believe/obey.

What are the benefits to believing and obeying?

- Not condemned John 3:18
- Have life John 5:25

How do you believe in Him? Be like the man in John 9—to be healed from his problems he had to follow Jesus' sayings to a "T."

What did Jesus say? (All Red Letter)

Believe Jn. 2:24

Repent Lk. 13:3, 5

Confess Mt. 10:32, 33

Baptism Mk. 16:16

Remain faithful Rev. 2:10

Have you done what Jesus commanded? If no, why?

Have you gotten off track? Why not get back on track tonight?

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John 1:36	“Behold—Lamb of God!”
41	Messiah—Interpreted Christ
49	Son of God, King of Israel
3:18	Only begotten Son of God
4:25	Messiah=Christ—Now is come.
29	<u>The</u> Christ
5:25	Son of God—hearing His voice (live).
7:26-27	“No man knows where He is...”
31	When Christ comes, He’ll do miracles
41-42	Christ comes from Bethlehem; seed of David—PROPHESIES
9:22	Jesus—if anyone confesses Christ—put out of synagogue
10:24	Christ—spoke plainly
36	Sent of the Father
11:4	Lazarus—sick to glorify the Father
27	Martha—believes Jesus is the Christ
12:34	Who is this Son of Man?
19:7	“Made Himself to be the Son of God.”
20:30-31	<u>POINT</u> : Things written to believe in Jesus and Have Live.

Words can be confusing. Try these:

English is weird, hard to learn, and often hard to translate.

An article on this showed UP in my email inbox this week, and I thought I’d share it with you. While I didn't dream it UP, I looked it UP on the web. I enjoyed reading UP on it, and I made UP the parallel between the uses of the word and localization. (It gets worse from here).

UP can be a noun, verb, adjective, adverb, and preposition. This two-letter word in English has more meanings than any other two-letter word.

It's easy to understand UP, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but consider these things.

1. We wake UP
2. At a meeting, topics come UP
3. People speak UP
4. Incumbent officers are UP for election
5. It is UP to the secretary to write UP a report
6. We call UP our friends
7. We take UP with the wrong crowd
8. You can brighten UP a room
9. We polish UP the silverware
10. I warm UP the leftovers and then I clean UP the kitchen

11. We lock UP the house
12. People fix UP the old car
13. Darrell Duncan always stirs UP trouble
14. We line UP for food
15. She works UP an appetite
16. You think UP excuses

At other times, this little word gives a concept some special meaning:

To be dressed is one thing but to be dressed UP is special.

And some uses of UP are confusing:

A drain must be opened UP because it is stopped UP.

We open UP a store in the morning but we close it UP at night.

To be knowledgeable about the proper uses of UP, look UP the word UP in the dictionary. In a desk-sized dictionary, it takes UP almost 1/4 of the page and can add UP to about thirty definitions.

If you are UP to it, you might try building UP a list of the many ways UP is used. It will take UP a lot of your time, but if you don't give UP, you may wind UP with a hundred or more.

And a few more, for fun:

When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding UP. When the sun comes out, we say it is clearing UP. When it rains, it soaks UP into the earth. When it does not rain for a while, things dry UP. One could go on and on, but I'll wrap it UP. We mess UP, we look UP people in the phone book, and whatever you do is UP to you.