

II. Jesus is a Model for Living, More Than An Object of Worship

A. Deals with the Doctrine of Christ

1. Focus on Jesus' moral teachings and actions. Stress is laid on His humanity more than His divinity
2. Jesus taught a system of ethics that works in the "real world"
3. Love Thy Neighbor is the highest priority
4. Affirming - Accepting - Embracing without judgment or qualification
 - a) He touched the leper
 - b) He ate with sinners
 - c) He went through Samaria
 - d) He rejected the religious leaders
 - e) Showed love and compassion to outcasts

B. Biblical Perspective

1. Jesus is fully God as well as being fully man - (God in the Flesh)
2. The primary message of Christianity is the Gospel - (Why Christ came)
3. The primary mission is to make disciples (What Christ commanded)
4. Jesus claims to be more than a mere moral example
 - a) John 8:58
 - b) John 10:30
 - c) John 5:18
5. The Gospels/Epistles present Jesus as more than just a wise teacher with high moral standards
 - a) John 1:1-3
 - b) Colossians 2:9
 - c) Hebrews 1:3
6. He was worshipped as God, Received and welcomed it . . .
 - a) Matthew 28:9
 - b) John 20:28
 - c) John 9:38
7. It is only when you truly trust in Christ for salvation, Worship Him, Love Him and Serve Him, that you may rightly show compassion, mercy, and love for others (flows from a regenerate heart that provides care according to God's standard)