

JESUS!

WEEK #2: SAVIOR

INTRODUCTION & OPENING QUESTION

Christmas is the celebration of Jesus' birthday. But why is it that when it comes around each year, we tend to celebrate everything but that. How would our celebration look different if it were centered around the meaning of the season? This Christmas at NewSpring, we're blocking everything else out, so we can truly celebrate Jesus! This week we're talking about Jesus our Savior!

Scripture:

John 8:48 HCSB, John 4:4 NIV, John 4:9-15 NLT, John 4:19-23 NLT, John 4:26-28 MESSAGE, Luke 19:10 NIV, John 10:10 NIV

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

ICEBREAKER: Think of Jesus' role as Savior in your life; what comes to mind?

1. Share a time in your life you found yourself thinking, "How did I end up here?" What happened to change your mindset?
2. The Samaritan woman struggled with many barriers to her salvation, one of these being religion. Have you ever found yourself in a similar situation? Share.
3. Have you ever wrestled with any other barriers on your faith journey that made it difficult for you to surrender to Jesus? What are they? How did you get past them?
4. Read John 4:38-30. Why would a God who knows us better than we know ourselves love and accept us? How does this impact your life? Share with the group.
5. Pastor Mark talked about Christian hybrids. Do you ever find yourself in that mindset? What are some ways you can remind yourself to accept grace?

TAKEAWAYS

BOTTOM LINE:

God knows everything about you and He still has something for you.

1. What is your biggest takeaway from this weekend's message? Why?
2. Identify one person in your life that needs to hear about God's love for them. Make a plan to share that with them this week.
3. Read Luke 19:10 and John 10:10. Choose one to make your memory verse this week. Write it down somewhere you will always see it.