



What's So Great About Jesus?

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Discussion Guide: Week 6

Leaders Note: I encourage you as a life group leader to text/email your group in advance to bring the notecards that Wes had you write on from Sunday's sermon. They will be helpful for discussion.

Lean In:

- Out of the list of people that Wes provided in his sermon do you think there is anyone greater at their craft than the names listed? Explain your answers as you discuss.
 - Michael Jordan (Basketball)
 - Harriet Tubman (Fight against slavery)
 - Freddy Mercury (Singer/songwriter/musician)
 - Katie Ledecky (Swimming)
 - Roger Federer (Tennis)
 - Jesus (Life and Love)
- Where do you see greatness in each other? What makes the people in this group unique and different?
- What are some of your greatest traits? What makes your special or different?

Look Around:

- In your opinion what makes someone great or special? What sets others apart?
- Think about how the world around you would answer the questions "Is Jesus special? Is Jesus great? Is Jesus different? Why? If yes, then what should we do about it?"
 - How would the people in your work respond to those questions?
 - How would your immediate family and extended family respond to those questions?
 - How would your friends respond to those questions?

Look Down:

Read Ephesians 1:18-23 and Philippians 2:9-11 together as a group.

In these passages we learn that God has anointed Christ above all and placed all things beneath him as the head of the church. With that in mind...

- What things in life do you struggle to allow Christ to be above? On the contrary, what things in your life do you readily and consistently allow him to be above?

- *Note: If no one is answering say "Think back to what you wrote down on Sunday when Wes challenged you to fill in the blank 'Jesus you are above ____.'"*
- What areas in your life do you struggle to be beneath God? Accepting your gifts he has given you and the role he has called you to play in the church? Trusting his plan for your future? Something else?

Pause and pray over each person based on their answers to those questions.

Look In:

- What/who have you been given rule, authority, power, and dominion over in your life? What does it look like for you to honor Christ with such responsibility?
- When was the moment you recognized the significance of who Jesus truly was? How has that moment changed your life since then?

Look Beyond

- Who are the people in your life that have chosen to intentionally disregard or discredit Jesus? How has that impacted your relationship with them?
- Who are the people in your life that have unintentionally chosen to be ignorant of Jesus (meaning they don't know anything about him)? Have you done anything to change that? Why or why not?
- If Jesus is great, special, and different like Ephesians 1:21-23 proclaims he is, what can you do RIGHT NOW to help those people you just mentioned see Jesus' greatness?
 - Seriously, what you can you do and what will you do right now? There's no better time than the present. Here's some thoughts to get the ball rolling as a group.
 - Can you get your phone out right now and text them about their thoughts on Christ?
 - Can you set up a coffee date to talk about who Jesus is?
 - Can you share your testimony with them about why Jesus has been so great in your life?
 - Can you provide them some resources providing apologetic proof for the validity and wonder of Jesus?
 - Can you...?

Talk as a group about the action step each person will take this upcoming week to look beyond and help others encounter the greatness of our Lord Jesus Christ!