

"When you raise the question who was Jesus most people will readily say he was a good man.

After all think about the things he said and the things he did." **Dr. Daniel Akin** 

## (I) WAS JESUS GOD?

- (A) C.S. Lewis who was perhaps the greatest apologist in the previous century basically said for us to consider Jesus requires us to put him in one of three or four categories.
  - (1) He was a liar
  - (2) He was a lunatic
  - (3) He was a legend
  - (4) He was the Lord.

## (II) THE EVENT

Question: What event does Dr. Akin say proves without doubt that Jesus is God?

Answer: The resurrection

(A) The Apostle John Says		
(B) The Apostle Paul says	 	

# (IV) WHAT JESUS SAYS ABOUT HIMSELF

"He who has seen me has seen the Father, the Father and I are one." - John 14:9



## **APPLICATION QUESTIONS**

(1) Why is it important to recognize Jesus as God?

Reference: Psalms 148:13, Hebrews 7:26-28

(2) Since Scripture tells us to worship both God the Father and His Son Jesus, in what other ways are we to respond to them?

Reference: 1 John 5:2, Matthew 16:24

(3) If Jesus is God, his words and commands are just as authoritative, what are some of Christ notable commands we at times fail to obey?

Reference: Matthew 28:16-20

#### **KEY VERSES**

John 5:18, 8:24, 8:58, 10: 30-33, 17:5, John 20:28, Col 2:9, Phil 2:5-8, Heb 1:8

#### ADDITIONAL READINGS

- -Jesus: The Greatest Life of All, Charles Swindoll.
- -I Don't Have Enough Faith to be an Atheist, Norm Geisler and Frank Turek.
- -Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message, Ravi Zacharias
- -Jesus the Son of God: A Christological Title Often Overlooked, Sometimes Misunder stood, and Currently Disputed, *D. A. Carson*
- -Jesus: The Only Way to God: Must You Hear the Gospel to be Saved? John Piper

