

*assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.” (Acts 4:20, 31)*

### 3. The Reliable \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus’ Followers

#### A. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Truth

FROM KNOWING HIM—1 John 5:13, 2 Timothy 1:12, John 5:24

FROM WALKING WITH HIM—John 15:4-5

FROM EXPERIENCING HIM—Philippians 1:6, 2 Timothy 1:12

FROM EXPECTING HIM—Titus 2:13

#### B. \_\_\_\_\_ for the Truth

*“And the night following the Lord stood by him, and said, Be of good cheer, Paul: for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome.” (Acts 23:11)*

#### C. \_\_\_\_\_ the Truth

SHARE IT FAITHFULLY—Romans 1:15-16

SHARE IT PASSIONATELY—Luke 9:6, Psalm 126:5-6

SHARE IT LOVINGLY—Ephesians 4:15

### CONCLUSION

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### Title: Jesus, The Greatest Difference Maker

*“One of the two which heard John speak, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup> He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ. <sup>42</sup> And he brought him to Jesus. And when Jesus beheld him, he said, Thou art Simon the son of Jona: thou shalt be called Cephas, which is by interpretation, A stone.” (John 1:40-42)*

### INTRODUCTION

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### 1. The Radical \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus

#### A. Jesus Claimed to Be the \_\_\_\_\_ of God

*“The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. <sup>30</sup> This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me. <sup>31</sup> And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water. <sup>32</sup> And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him. <sup>33</sup> And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me,*

*Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost. <sup>34</sup> And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God. <sup>49</sup> Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel.” (John 1:29-34, 49)*

## **B. Jesus Claimed to Be \_\_\_\_\_ with God**

*“Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: <sup>7</sup> But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: <sup>8</sup> And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. <sup>9</sup> Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: <sup>10</sup> That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; <sup>11</sup> And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” (Philippians 2:6-11)*

WHO IS JESUS?

### **1. Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_**

*“And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and the high priest asked them, <sup>28</sup> Saying, Did not we straitly command you that ye should not teach in this name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man’s blood upon us.” (Acts 5:27-28)*

### **2. Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_**

### **3. Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_**

### **4. Jesus Is \_\_\_\_\_**

*“Art thou the Christ? tell us. And he said unto them, If I tell you, ye will not believe: <sup>68</sup> And if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go. <sup>69</sup> Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand of the power of God. <sup>70</sup> Then said they all, Art thou then the Son of God? And he said unto them, Ye say that I am. <sup>71</sup> And they said, What need we any further witness? for we ourselves have heard of his own mouth.” (Luke 22:67-71)*

*“Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.” (Matthew 27:54)*

## **2. The Real \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus’ Followers Experienced**

### **A. The \_\_\_\_\_ Years**

THEY WERE FICKLE

*“And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest. <sup>25</sup> And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors. <sup>26</sup> But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve. <sup>27</sup> For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth.” (Luke 22:24-27)*

THEY WERE FEARFUL

*“Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee, The cock shall not crow, till thou hast denied me thrice.” (John 13:38)*

### **B. The \_\_\_\_\_ Years**

THEY WERE CHANGED

*“Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.” (Acts 4:13)*

THEY WERE COURAGEOUS

*“For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard. <sup>31</sup> And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were*