

Series: Son of Man

Title: A Personal Declaration

Text: (Lk 9:18-27)

This most important Question in life: (18-22)

(Jn 8:58) *Before Abraham was, I AM!*

(Jn 10:30) *I and my Father are one.*

Liar: He claimed He was the Messiah, but He knew He wasn't.

(Matt 13:54-58) *Isn't he the Carpenter's Son*

(John 7:41, 1:46) *No Prophet from Galilee!*

Lunatic: He claimed to be the Messiah, but He Didn't Know He wasn't.

(John 8:53-59) "I am" denotes absolute eternal existence,

(John 10:30-33) *They understood "Who" He was claiming to Be*

(Lk 9:21) It wasn't His time to present Himself to Israel.

(Lk 9:22) He came on a Different Mission.

(Deut 10:17)

His Friends & Family though He is Crazy: (Mark 3:20-21)

(John 19:9) Pilate asks. *"Whence are Thou?"*

(John 3:2) *Nicodemus-*

(John 10:25) The works bear Witness!

Lord: (John 13:13)

Life is a TEST: So Whom do YOU say "He" IS?

The Answer determines a person's world view:

Christian vs. Secular Humanism

Virgin Born: (Is 7:14)

Eternal: (Is 9:6-7)

Born in Bethlehem: (Micah 5:2)

Etc, Etc, Etc...

Jesus Posed this Question to the 12: Lk 9:18-20

WHAT Do You Believe?

(Mark 9:23) *All things are possible through belief!*

Life is a Test: The Answer Separates the World's Religions from Christianity.

The Answer determines your Eternal Destiny:

(John 11:25-26)

(John 3:15-16)

(John 3:36)

(John 5:24)

I SAY HE IS ... Jesus Christ: The Saviour

Sent by the Father John 3:16-17, I Jn 4:14

He was in the family business (Lk 2:49, Jn 6:38-39)

That business was to save the world: (Lk 19:10, Lk 5:32; Jn 1:1)

Jesus is not "A" way to heaven, but "THE" Way: (Jn 14:6)

Give the Gospel Rom 3:23, 6:23, 5:8, Rom 10:9-10

Heart – Not – Head Miss Heaven by 12"

(Eph 2:8-9) Grace+nothing-nothing The Only Way!

I Say He is Jesus Christ: Son of God-God the Son

He is God – (Jn 1:1-3, 14)

(John 8:53-58)

(John 5:17-18) Jews understood Who is He was claiming to be!

(Matt 19:26) There is nothing He can't do.

I Say that He is Jesus Christ: My Soon Coming King!

Jesus Said So! (John 14:1-3)

The Angels Said So! (Acts 1:10-11)

The Apostles said So! (Titus 2:13, I Thes 4:16-17)

Who do You Say that "HE" is? - Make it personal

We answer this question by our thoughts, Words and Actions!

If He is God, then Why don't we trust Him?

(Heb 11:6)

(Phil 4:19) He Promises to meet our needs

(Phil 4:13) Promises to strengthen us!

All we have to do is Ask! (Jn 14:13), (I Jn3:22),

(Matt 7:7-8) *ask & it shall be given you!*

If He is God, then Why don't we Obey Him?

(John 14:15) "If ye love me, keep My commandments."

Whom do you say Jesus is ...

by the way you Pray?

by the way you read our Bible?

by the way you attend Church?

by the way you Witness?

by the way you Tithe?

by the way you Raise our Kids?

Whom do you your Friends say that Jesus is to YOU?

Is Jesus a Phase or the latest fad in your life?

By our Witness?

By our Integrity when no one is looking?

By our Faithfulness when no one will notice?

Life is a Test: Life is a Trust: (Lk 9:23-27)

Deny Himself: Our Flesh: (Titus 2:12)

Take Up his Cross Daily: The World: (1 Jn 2:15-16)

Follow: Satan: (James 4:7-10)

Who do you Trust? You / God?

Who do you Belong to?

Who do you Serve?

What is your Purpose? (2 Cor 5:15)

God Gave us Physical Life:

God Gave us Eternal Life:

God Gave Gifts unto men: (Eph 4:8)

God expects a return on His Investment!

Time: (Eph 5:15-16)

Talents: *Illus:* (Matt 25:14)- *Parable of the Talents*

Resources: (James 2:14-17; Matt 25:34)

Stewards are to be faithful: (1 Cor 4:2)

Who do you belong to? (1 Cor 6:20; 7:23)

Who does it all belong to, Really? (James 1:17)

Life is a Temporary Assignment:

Ambassadors: (2 Cor 5:20)

Difficulty, Sorrow, Discontent: (John 16:33)

God's promises seem unfulfilled. Where is His promises? (2Pet 3:4)

Prayers seem unanswered: Heaven Seems Silent. (Isaiah 50:10)

Circumstances seem unfair:

Fret Not thyself (Ps 37:1)

(Job 1:21) Satan in on a leash

(Job 2:9-10) Embrace What God has Allowed.

(Job 13:15) GOD is ENOUGH!

Earth is not our final home: (2 Cor 4:18)

Aliens: (Col 1:24)

Ambassadors: (2 Cor 5:20)

Strangers and Foreigners: (Eph 2:19)

Pilgrims: (1 Pet 2:11)

Heaven has been prepared for us:

(John 14:1-3, Rev 21: 2-3)

You were Created for something better:

Our rewards are in heaven. (Heb 11:13,16)

We await our Heavenly escort: (Luke 16:22) Like the Beggar

Our fanfare awaits us in Heaven: (Ps 116:15)

Reception of the Redeemed: (Heb 12:1)