

JESUS IS _____.

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JESUS IS A TRUE FRIEND.

...“Don’t be afraid!” he said. “I bring you good news that will bring great joy to all people. The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born today in Bethlehem, the city of David! **Luke 2:10-11 (NLT)**

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at his tax collector’s booth. “Follow me and be my disciple... **Matthew 9:9 (NLT)**

Jesus entered Jericho and made his way through the town. There was a man there named Zacchaeus. He was the **chief tax collector** in the region, and he had become very rich. He tried to get a look at Jesus, but he was too short to see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree beside the road, for Jesus was going to pass that way. When Jesus came by, he looked up at Zacchaeus and **called him by name. “Zacchaeus!”** he said. “Quick, come down! I must be a guest in your home today.” Zacchaeus quickly climbed down and took Jesus to his house in great excitement and joy. But the people were displeased. “He has gone to be the guest of a notorious sinner,” they grumbled. Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, “I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!” Jesus responded, “Salvation has come to this home today, for this man has shown himself to be a true son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.” **Luke 19:1-10 (NLT)**

*...Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" ... The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." **John 4:7-10 (NIV)***

*...Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Where are your accusers? Didn't even one of them condemn you?" "No, **Lord,**" she said. And Jesus said, "Neither do I. Go and sin no more." **John 8:10-11 (NLT)***

Jesus is a True Friend...

1. Who knows me for who I am and what I have done and still loves me.
2. Who will go to extremes for me.
3. Who can truly change my life.
4. Who will never leave or give up on me.

*Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. **John 15:13 (NIV)***

Going deeper on your own. Take time out this week to read each of the texts used in this week's message. Note what Jesus actually did to befriend each person and what it cost Jesus to befriend them. Knowing He loves you as much as them, what do you think He would do for you as your true friend? What does it mean to you to know Jesus wants to be friends with you? Have you ever fully embraced His friendship? This Christmas season pray and invite Him to be your Savior, Lord, and Friend. If you do, write Pastor Jay at jay@centerpointchurch.com and tell him about it. If you already have, take time out to think through who Jesus is to you. Fill in the blank JESUS IS _____. Post it on your refrigerator for all to see. Email Pastor Jay and share it with him.