Christian Doctrine Jesus Christ (Intro)

The Most Significant Person of All Time

Throughout all of history, no one person has had such an impact on our world as Jesus Christ. No one can doubt the significance He has had within history, and the significance He has in people's lives today. It has been nearly 2,000 years since Jesus walked the earth, yet His popularity has only grown through the centuries.

"Who Do You Say That I Am?"

The question of Jesus' identity was one that He posed to His own disciples (Matt. 16:13-17). It is also a question that we must answer. Exactly who is this person named Jesus? Some people look to Jesus as a mere <u>teacher</u> and <u>helper</u> of the poor. Others state that He was the divine <u>Savior</u> of the world. As we look at the claims of Jesus and the statements of His followers, we find that the life of Jesus Christ has a direct impact on every person who has ever lived. For this reason, a clear understanding of exactly who Jesus is takes utmost importance.

The Person and Work of Jesus Christ

Examining the person and work of Jesus Christ is a fascinating study. Just a basic understanding of the life of Christ raises some intriguing questions: Was Jesus really God? If so, how could He be God and a human being at the same time? Did he come into existence when He was born to Mary and Joseph, or did He exist before that? Was He really perfect and sinless? How could His death on a cross really help the whole world? How can we know He really rose from the dead? What is He doing today? The purpose of this study is to get a better understanding of who Jesus Christ is, and what that means for us today.

And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. Colossians 1:18