

SeriesPlan:Who is Jesus? The Counselor

Series Objectives

- To teach the cultural definition of what a Counselor was and what he did.
- To teach how Jesus as our Counselor affects our everyday life.
- Use the 5 different examples that Jesus uses in John 13-17 to illustrate how Jesus is our advocate.

Three Trails-Disciples making disciples in their community

- It starts with your family
 - Athaviah and Malachi
 - Playing kickball
 - Dad/mom-showed me how to forgive
 - Owen- Bible for Kids/Axel Rose
 - Ben-you are the boss

Jesus is the boss-He just delegated this to us

- My job is to point people to Jesus

Led to do a whole series on who Jesus is?

Let's Ask....Who is Jesus?

- Matthew: The King of the Jews
- Mark: The Servant King
- Luke: The Answer
- John: God Revealed

Jesus The Son of God-who he is

- Heir of all things
- The Creator
- The radiance of God's glory
- The exact representation of his nature
- The sustainer of the universe
- He speaks with God's authority.

Jesus the Rabbi -what Jesus was to influence us

- Are you His Disciple

Last week we started noticing a transition in Jesus' ministry

- Openly teaching to all-Parables: teaching in a way that made you have to come to him for the answer
- Jesus wants a relationship not a robot.

Ezekiel 11:19b-21 ...I will remove their heart of stone from their bodies and give them a heart of flesh, so that they will follow my statutes, keep my ordinances, and practice them. They will be my people, and I will be their God.

- With Abraham (Genesis 17:7-God's covenant people)
- With Moses (Exodus 6:7)

As the Jews started rejecting Jesus we see him start to focus on developing His people for their mission.

- He is going to explain a role that only applies to His people.

Jesus the Counselor John 14:15-16 "If you love me, you will keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever.

- Explain the Context of John 13-16
- Another: just like-The holy Spirit is going to have the same role as Jesus did.
- What comes to your mind when you hear the term Counselor, Comforter?

Counselor: who one legally represents another

- It means you have entered into a relationship with this person so that this person represents you so that what that person does is transferred to you

Lawyer: a lawyer stands in and represents the client so that what the lawyer achieves the client achieves.

- 1 John 2:1 My little children, I am writing you these things so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ the righteous one
- What did our counselor, Jesus Christ the righteous one, achieve for us?

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- God's Courtroom
 - God is the Judge
 - Satan is the prosecuting attorney (Revelation 12:10)
 - Jesus is our defense attorney (1 John 2:1)

Jesus the Champion

Champion warfare refers to a type of battle, in which the outcome of the conflict is determined by a single combat, an individual duel between the best soldiers ("champions") from each opposing army.

1 Corinthians 15:54-58 54 When this corruptible body is clothed with incorruptibility, and this mortal body is clothed with immortality, then the saying that is written will take place: Death has been swallowed up in victory. 55 Where, death, is your victory? Where, death, is your sting? 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! 58 Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

Hebrews 12:1-2 12 Therefore, since we also have such a large cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us lay aside every hindrance and the sin that so easily ensnares us. Let us run with endurance the race that lies before us, 2 keeping our eyes on Jesus, the source and perfecter of our faith. For the joy that lay before him, he endured the cross, despising the shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

- Therefore, surrounded by a large cloud of witnesses-Hebrews hall of faith
- THE SOURCE