Dr. Kevin McKee Sermon Notes December 23, 2012 The Chapel on the Campus

A Divine King

Isaiah 9:6-7

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

⁷ Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end.
He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom,
establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.
The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

If Jesus is not... Then we have constructed a God who is... • Sovereign Ruler Is not in Wonderful Counselor Cannot us Cannot handle our Mighty God of what has been or will be • Everlasting Father Prince of Peace Cannot humanity with God • On the throne of David Cannot keep His ______ • The source of righteousness • |s and justice

Colossians 1:15-20

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

But if Jesus is God, then...

He shows us who _____.

JOHN 14:8-11 Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us."

⁹ Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves.

- He is the _____ heir.
- He ______ everything.
- He ______ everything.
- He is the _____ of the church.
- He is the supreme of the _____.

If this is Jesus, then of what do you need to repent?

Creating a Jesus who...

- Serves me and my needs
- Exists to make me happy

Limiting Jesus so...

- He is only allowed into specific parts of our lives.
- He is only invited to do certain things in our lives.
- His power is ignored in much of our lives.

Ignoring Jesus as...

- Lord and King and therefore His authority and protective rule over our life
- Savior and Life and therefore choosing bondage and darkness

How to Become a Christian

Many people believe they are Christians because they were born in a Christian culture, go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a good life. However, the Bible teaches that these things cannot make you a Christian. You become a Christian by simply taking these two steps:

- Acknowledge that you (along with all people) have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. ROMANS 3:23
- Personally believe that Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh, died for your sins on the cross and rose again. 1 Corinthians 15:3, 4

You may express your belief through prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving Him as God's gift to you. JOHN 1:12, ROMANS 6:23, REVELATION 3:20

EPHESIANS 2:8, 9 For it is by grace you have been saved through faith...it is the gift of God; not by works, so that no one can boast.

All scriptures printed in the outline are taken from the New International Version (1984) unless otherwise noted.