

## CHRISTMAS EVE

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**What to do with Jesus? Where do we “put” Him?**

Image: Manger & Cross

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Image: Cross

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Image: Empty Tomb

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### **John 1:12**

But to all who did **receive** Him, He gave them the right to be **children of God**, to those who **believe** in **His Name** ...

**1) We must know Who He really is (“...believe in His Name ...”)**

**Not every Jesus is the real Jesus ... →SHOW With the MANGER & CROSS GRAPHIC**

### **John 1:1-4**

In the beginning was the **Word**, and the Word was with God, and the **Word was God**. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 All things were **created** through Him, and apart from Him not one thing was created that has been created. 4 In Him was **life**, and that life was the **light** of men.

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**Jesus:**

**A Part of my life?**

**Addition to my life?**

**OR my life?**

## 2) We must know our condition.

### John 1:5, 10-11

That light shines in the **darkness**, and yet the darkness did not overcome it ... <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was created through Him, and yet the world did **not recognize** Him. <sup>11</sup> He came to His own, and His own people did **not receive** Him.

### John 3:19-20

This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people **loved darkness** instead of light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil **hates the light**, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed.

**Our greatest problem: a lack of righteousness and a preference for darkness**

**We have to see the mess we are in (~darkness) before we can appreciate the God we have.**

## 3) We must know God's provision.

### John 1:12-13

But to all who did **receive Him**, He gave them the right to be children of God, to those who **believe in His Name**, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of natural descent, or of the will of the flesh, or of the will of man, but of God.

### John 1:14

The **Word** became flesh and dwelt among us. We observed His glory, the glory as the one and only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

### 2 Corinthians 5:21 → **SHOW THIS WITH THE CROSS IMAGE**

God made Him (*Jesus Christ*) who had no sin **to be sin for us**, so that in Him we might become the **righteousness of God**.

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## 4) We must know how to respond ... *to receive Jesus and believe in His Name.*

Come as you are ...

See Jesus as He really is ...

Receive Him ... Follow Him.

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