



INTRODUCTION

Have you ever heard someone say, "Well, that's your truth, but for me, this is what's true"? This type of thinking is relativism, and it has infiltrated our culture and even the church. It proclaims there is no objective, external standard for right and wrong that is valid for everyone. In fact, the most common narrative is Christians are narrow-minded bigots for their belief in the exclusivity of Jesus Christ. The idea there really could be just one way to heaven often becomes a hang up for people to investigate Christianity. In response, many of us have fallen into a confused, embarrassed and unhelpful belief system that believes something about Jesus but struggles to defend it or feels the need to apologize for it. Instead, we need a bold humility that understands the exclusivity of Jesus Christ and how to engage those who push against it.

DISCUSSION

1. As a group, read the following verses, and discuss how the exclusivity of Jesus Christ impacts your thoughts and feelings. Do you agree or disagree? Does it create in you peace, comfort, confusion, frustration or something different?
 - a. **John 14:6**
 - b. **Acts 4:12**
 - c. **1 Corinthians 1:23**
 - d. **John 3:16-21**
2. In what ways have you tamed Jesus so He is not offensive to others as you interact with your relatives, friends, co-workers and neighbors? Was it fear, lack of knowledge, lack of conviction, past hurts or something else driving such actions?
3. As a group, read **1 Peter 3:15** and discuss what it looks like to have bold humility when having spiritual conversations with others.
4. In what ways do you need to continue growing in your faith so you can feel confident about the exclusivity of Jesus Christ and be able to openly share your faith with others?

DO SOMETHING

1. Has this weeks' sermon and this study generated any conviction in you? If so, take time to confess your sins to God, and ask Him for help in the areas you feel lacking. Read **1 John 1:9** before you confess so you can be confident your sins will be forgiven.
2. Don't settle for mediocrity in your ability to understand and articulate the Gospel. Ask a mature Christian friend to mentor you in this area if you need help.
3. As you go about your week, ask God to provide opportunities for spiritual conversations with those around you. Take a risk, and inquire what others believe about Jesus.
4. Stay intentional about growing your faith by committing to checking out one of the resources listed below.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

1. *The Reason for God* by Tim Keller (book)
2. *The Problem of God* by Mark Clark (book)
3. *Is the Exclusivity of Christ Unjust?* Alistair Begg (RightNow Media video)
4. *What Happens To People Who Have Never Heard The Gospel?* Real Truth. Real Quick with Todd Wagner from Watermark Community Church (YouTube video).