

Things to Talk About and Reflect Upon

"Begotten, Not Made"

Points from Sunday's Message

- 1. Christianity rises and falls on the nature of Jesus.
- 2. Jesus is the Anointed and Eternal Son, not a created being.
- 3. God the Son comes from God the Father to us, not from the Father into being.
- 4. Christ brings God's presence to us in order to bring us into God's presence.
- 5. In Christ, we find the answer behind every question, because in Him dwells all of God's fullness in bodily form.

Key Verse:

"2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made... 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

- John 1:2-3, 14

Discussion Questions:

- 1. Why do you think Jesus chose to ask His disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" rather than simply declaring His identity to them directly? How does that shape our understanding of faith and discipleship?
- 2. When you hear the phrase "Jesus is the Son of God," what comes to your mind? How is that different from being created by God like we are?
- 3. The message said that Jesus brings God's presence to us so we can be brought into God's presence. Have you ever felt close to God? What helps you feel connected to Him?
- 4. In the message, we heard that "God was made man, that man might be made God." How should we understand this idea of *theosis* or union with God in light of Scripture (e.g., John 17:21–23, 2 Peter 1:4)?

- 5. How do your answers to the "big questions" of life—identity, purpose, destiny—change when you start with the question, "Who is Jesus?" Share one area where you've personally found greater clarity or peace because of who Jesus is.
- 6. Colossians 2:10 says, "You are complete in Him." In what ways do you struggle to believe or live out that truth? How can your small group encourage one another to rest in the completeness found in Christ?

Use these blended questions for deeper personal reflection, prayer, or small group discussion.