

# JESUS THE REAL THING



**BECOMING A CATEGORY OF ONE.**

**CHRISTIANITY IS NOT THE BEST RELIGION; IT  
IS A DIFFERENT CATEGORY ALL TOGETHER... IT  
IS UNDENIABLY SUPERNATURALLY TRUE**





*Jesus Christ*  
THE REAL THING

**HE IS A CATEGORY OF ONE  
INDEPENDENT OF WHAT WE  
BELIEVE**

# You should have led with that...

➤ Luke 24:36-53 **Jesus connects Authentically to Disciples NIV**

➤ **Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

<sup>36</sup> While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

<sup>37</sup> **They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost.** <sup>38</sup> **He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? <sup>39</sup> Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."**

<sup>40</sup> When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. <sup>41</sup> And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" <sup>42</sup> They gave him a piece of broiled fish, <sup>43</sup> and he took it and ate it in their presence.

<sup>44</sup> He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."

# Luke 24 Continued

<sup>45</sup> Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. <sup>46</sup> He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup> and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup> You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup> I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

## **The Ascension of Jesus**

<sup>50</sup> When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. <sup>51</sup> While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. <sup>52</sup> Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. <sup>53</sup> And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

# What is going on in this Chapter:

- ▶ 1. We see that **Jesus is in a category of one..**
- ▶ 2. **People are hungry for Physical, Authentic, Diverse, tested connections** not merely being spoken at... Even Jesus' questions on the Emaus road connected with people.
- ▶ **People are more than just physical beings.** We are limited in power but not in authority. Authority has responsibility attached to it, Responsibility had accountability attached to it, Accountability with being that are more than Physical has to have some staging areas for long term accountability.
- ▶ **God is not looking to punish people, but to give them a purpose.** **Jeremiah 29:** <sup>10</sup>This is what the LORD says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. <sup>11</sup>For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. <sup>12</sup>Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. <sup>13</sup>You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. <sup>14</sup>I will be found by you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back from captivity. <sup>[b]</sup> I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile."

# To Know Our identity, we need to Learn Jesus' Identity

- ▶ Jesus' Name makes it clear his purpose. **Satan Means Adversary** to God His eternal plan, **Jesus means God is Salvation-** Deliverance from and Enemy. Our Enemy comes to kill, steal and Destroy... SO Jesus comes to give life, give good gifts and to build us up.
- ▶ Disciples are NOT just students... Budha had students. Jesus had Disciples who are more like enthusiastic Soldiers or as I mentioned before volunteer first responders. Disciples by their choice, and nature
  - ▶ Authentically Trust, love and FOLLOW Jesus on his terms ( this is Eternal Life... Following Jesus John 17:3), His work is finished... so we don't do things to gain points but to authentically love others.
  - ▶ They are transformed by him... They Get the gift of transformation, and become more like Him...
  - ▶ They find their purpose in building his kingdom! In His community and Body.

# When you are a category of one, you Create others who are the same!

- ▶ Think Daniel, David, Deborah, Esther, Samson (even his errors impacted his Brand)
- ▶ Saint Longinus... The Story may not be perfect, but the narrative is his branding and it fits someone who is changed by the category of One... He was not following a religion, he was a soldier for God... When he was bumped, what came out of him was more faith...



Our Identities impact our choices... Like with Gen Z and the Church, but also like the early Disciples who saw Jesus risen.



# Like Jesus we are more than Physical beings... The Soul of Man, angels, Nephilim, Ghosts and the 4 levels of the Waiting areas and Prisons?

1. We are beings that live beyond our physical bodies. The enemy of the Physical Body is Death
2. We are limited in power but not in authority. We have the Authority to Follow Jesus or Not.
  - A. Authority ( has responsibility attached to it. We must Choose. To serve the community and pay taxes... or not, like many rich people... Jury Duty, Driving the Speed limit... Other Adult Choices? And Adult connections to the community choices?
  - B. Responsibility had accountability attached to it,
  - C. Accountability with beings that are more than Physical, but because of past choices must deal with Death has to have some staging areas for long term accountability.