

Just Thinking Apologetics

Who was Jesus? This is the most important question to be addressed. If Jesus was just a good man who never rose from the dead, then Christians are living in a fantasy world. Paul says in I Corinthians 15:14 that, “if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith.” However, if Jesus was resurrected and represents the only way to God, then this is the one story that we should all follow.

Either the Christian story is true or it is false. Everything pertaining to Christianity stands or falls on the person of Jesus. Today, however, there are a multitude of views of who Jesus was. I hope to look at a series of views concerning the person of Jesus.

C.S. Lewis looked at a series of possibilities in the past such as Jesus being either a Lord, liar, lunatic or legend. Some of the other possibilities include: Jesus as a myth (which relates to Jesus as a legend), Jesus as simply a good man, Jesus as a mystic or Eastern guru or Jesus as a Martian/ Extraterrestrial.

If Jesus is the Messiah, then the whole history of the world revolves around the person of Jesus. Again in I Corinthians 15, Paul states “if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are...lost.” However, Paul concludes, “Christ has indeed been raised from the dead.” Knowing the real Jesus makes all the difference in the world.