

# Bible Top 5

## God's Roles for His Son

### Week 6

Welcome & Announcements

Prayer Requests and Opening Prayer

#### Top 5 Concepts - God Sends the Savior

In the Fullness of Time  
A Light in the Darkness  
The Empty Tomb  
Christ the Lord  
Revelation

**Concept Question** - Why was it important that Jesus was fully God?

*The Word Became Flesh*

*In the beginning was the Word ... and the Word was God.  
The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.  
Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father*

**Concept Question** - Why was it important that Jesus was fully man?

*Jesus the Man*

*Kneeling Figure* = Jesus of Nazareth - The Messiah, though God, was totally human  
*Cradle and Infant* = Born of a woman  
*Hand and Dust* = True creature of the earth, had all of original man's attributes  
*Halo Behind Head* = Born in the image & likeness of God  
*Bowed Head* = Had a perfect willingness to follow the will of the Father instead of His own  
*Crown* = Crown of God's creation, Showed man as God designed him to be  
*Flower-decked Staff* = Perfectly obedient, He had full powers, promises & potentials of man  
*Shaft of Light* = Displayed a fulfilled humanity, This is my beloved Son...

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**Concept Question** - Why was it important for Jesus to speak to the distortions of His time?

*Jesus - Spokesman to Distortion*

*Law Tablets* = Israel's moral, civil & ceremonial laws (L)

*Scroll* = Israel's traditions (T)

*White Band Around Tablets and Scroll* = Israel's emphasis on separation (S)

*Bright Sky and White Clouds Behind Symbols* = LT&S originally instituted for good purpose

*Distorted Reflection in Water* = As time passed, LT&S were put to distorted use

*Hands Reaching out of Water* = Distorted use of the good tended to destroy life

*Figure* = Jesus of Nazareth

*Figure Facing Distortion in Water* = Jesus spoke to distortion & proper use of LT&S

*Figure in Stance of a Rescuer* = Jesus fulfills the law and the prophets

**Concept Question** - Why was it important for Jesus to be a teacher (rabbi) of God's truths?

*Jesus the Teacher*

*Lighted Lamp* = As a teacher, Jesus cast heaven's light on important issues

*Parted Curtains* = He unveils the hidden and makes known the unknown

*Great Crown Over Earth* = He declares the Father is Sovereign of heaven & earth

*First Diamond in Crown* = He proclaims God's will & purpose for ALL to be saved

*Second Diamond in Crown* = He reveals the nature of God (God made visible)

*Small Crown at End of Staff* = He reveals the true nature and purpose of man

*Beams from Crown Bathe Kneeling Figure* = He taught us to live in God's presence

*Discarded Masks* = He calls us to abandon the false values of life

*Storm Clouds* = He identifies the threats to our relationship with God

*Towel and Basin* = He gives the responsibilities of a right relationship with God

Evaluate Motives

Love Others

Forgive Others

Serve Others

Make Disciples

*Flower Bed* = He declares the promises, powers & blessings of the God-filled

Power Over Satan

Forgiveness of Sins

Eternal Life

*Diamond and Key* = He asserts that God's treasures are appropriated by FAITH

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**Concept Question** - How do you explain the good news of Jesus Christ to others?

*Jesus the Savior*

*Great Waterfall* = The human predicament of eternal death resulting from sin  
*Broken Boats* = Man's attempts to save himself are inadequate  
*Person Clinging to Cross* = God's saving act in Christ solved human predicament  
*Large Pointed Rock* = Jesus saves from God-imposed & Self-imposed Separation  
*Second Pointed Rock* = Jesus saves from guilt and from a "sense of guilt"  
*Third Pointed Rock* = Jesus saves from the threat and power of evil (God's armor)

*First Grave* = Jesus saves from spiritual death  
*Second Grave* = Jesus saves from temporal death (dead lives)  
*Third Grave* = Jesus saves from eternal death

*Cross Spanning Chasm* = Jesus brings man to God & the blessings of His plan  
*Ascending Stairway* = Jesus cross gives a pathway to God's eternal mansion  
*Pathway to Placid Lake Scene* = God's salvation includes redemption of creation

### Top 5 Concepts - God's Roles for His Son

The Word Became Flesh  
 Jesus the Man  
 Jesus – Spokesman to Distortion  
 Jesus the Teacher  
 Jesus the Savior

Closing Prayer

Next Week - God's Lessons to His People

| <u>Kennedy Evangelism Explosion</u>  | <u>The Bridge</u>   |
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| <p>1. Do you know for certain that if you were to die today you would go to heaven?<br/>                     2. If you died tonight and God asked you why He should let you into heaven, what would you say?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Summary of the Gospel</p> <p>Grace<br/>                     Heaven is a free gift (<i>Romans 6:23</i>)<br/>                     It is not earned or deserved (<i>Romans 11:6</i>)</p> <p>Man<br/>                     Is a sinner (<i>Matthew 5:48, Romans 3:10</i>)<br/>                     Cannot save himself (<i>Romans 3:23</i>)</p> <p>God<br/>                     Is merciful - doesn't want to punish us (<i>Neh. 9:17b, 31</i>)<br/>                     Is just - therefore must punish us (<i>Exodus 20:5</i>)</p> <p>Christ<br/>                     Who He is - the infinite God-man (<i>John 1:1, 14</i>)<br/>                     What He did - He paid for our sins (<i>Isaiah 53:6</i>)</p> <p>Faith<br/>                     What it is <i>not</i> - intellectual assent (<i>Eph 2:8-9, James 2:19</i>)<br/>                     What it <i>is</i> - trust in Jesus alone for salvation (<i>Gal 3:10-14</i>)</p> | <p>1. The Beginning<br/>                     MAN <span style="float: right;">GOD</span><br/> <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">TOGETHER</div></p> <p>2. Sin entered the world<br/>                     MAN <span style="float: right;">GOD</span><br/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">SEPARATED</div> <span>SIN</span> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">SEPARATED</div> </div></p> <p>3. Jesus Christ came and bridged the gap<br/>                     MAN <span style="float: right;">GOD</span><br/> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center; margin: 0 auto;"> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">TOGETHER</div> <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">CHRIST</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">TOGETHER</div> </div></p> <p>Related approach:<br/>                     1. We are separated from heaven by canyon formed by sin<br/>                     2. We try to jump across canyon by good works we do<br/>                     3. Some can jump further than others, but none can reach<br/>                     4. No amount of works can get to other side, all fall short<br/>                     5. Jesus gave us a bridge to simply trust in and walk over</p> |

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| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Three Basics</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. People need a Savior. - We all suffer from our sin and need rescue.</li> <li>2. Jesus is our Savior. - His death paid the punishment for our sins and rescued us. We are free.</li> <li>3. We live under His love. - As God's saved people we live under His care &amp; direction. We demonstrate it to others.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;">From C. F. W. Walther (First LCMS President)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. How much I needed Christ.</li> <li>2. How much Christ did for me.</li> <li>3. How I came to faith in Him.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;">From a 10-yr old to his friend</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. I messed up.</li> <li>2. Jesus forgives me.</li> <li>3. I just want to thank Him.</li> </ol>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Roman Road</u></p> <p>Good brief Biblical explanation of the essence of Christianity.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Romans 3:23 = All have sinned &amp; fall short of God's glory<br/>I'm in that "ALL", are you? = Sure<br/>Have you ever done anything wrong? = Sure<br/>Can you own up to it? = Sure</li> <li>2. Romans 6:23 = Wages of sin is death, Free gift is etrnal life<br/>What are wages? = Rewards/payment for working<br/>What are we paid for our sin? = Physical &amp; spiritual death<br/>What is a gift? = Something someone gives you<br/>Do you have to work for it? = No, it would be wages<br/>What free gift does God offer through whom? = EL, Jesus</li> <li>3. Romans 10:13 = Whoever calls on the Lord will be saved<br/>Are you included in this "whoever"? = Sure<br/>What must you do you be saved? = Call upon the Lord<br/>How do you do this? = Prayer, confession<br/>Are you ready to call on the Lord now? = Let Spirit push</li> </ol> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Four Spiritual Laws</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. God <b>loves</b> you and offers a wonderful <b>plan</b> for your life.<br/>John 3:16 = God so loved the world that He gave</li> <li>2. Man is <b>sinful</b> and <b>separated</b> from God. Therefore he cannot know &amp; experience God's love &amp; plan for his life.<br/>Romans 3:23 &amp; Romans 6:23 = All sinned, wages death</li> <li>3. Jesus Christ is God's <b>only</b> provision for man's sin.<br/>Through Him you can know and experience God's love and plan for your life.<br/>John 14:6 = I am way, truth, life - Only to Father thru Me<br/>Romans 5:8 &amp; 1 Cor. 15:3-6 = Christ died for us, the story</li> <li>4. We must individually <b>receive</b> Jesus Christ through faith as Savior and Lord; then we can know and experience God's love and plan for our lives.<br/>Ephesians 2:8-9 = By grace you are saved through faith<br/>Mark 16:16 = He who believes &amp; is baptized will be saved</li> </ol> | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Bad News - Good News</u></p> <p>Bad News #1 - You are a sinner.<br/>Romans 3:23 = All have sinned and fall short of God's glory</p> <p>Bad News #2 - The penalty for sin is death.<br/>Romans 6:23 = The wages of sin is death.</p> <p>Good News #1 - Christ died for you.<br/>Romans 5:8 = While we were sinners, Christ died for us</p> <p>Good News #2 - You can be saved through faith in Christ.<br/>Ephesians 2:8-9 = By grace you are saved through faith<br/>Eternal life is based on fact, not feeling.<br/>John 5:24 = He who hears &amp; believes has eternal life.</p> <p>How do you respond?<br/>Philippians 4:6-7 = Tell God through prayer<br/>2 Timothy 3:16-17 = Learn more by reading the Bible<br/>Hebrews 10:24-25 = Worship with God's people<br/>Matthew 4:19 = Tell others about what Jesus has done</p>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Religion vs. Christianity</u></p> <p>If you'd ever be interested in knowing the difference between religion and Christianity, I'd be happy to tell you.</p> <p>Religion is spelled D-O<br/>Religion is trying to DO things to win God's approval<br/>... to earn eternal life ... to make up for past sins<br/>Religion is a dead end road<br/>You don't ever know if you've done enough<br/>Would a loving God play those games with His people?</p> <p>Christianity is spelled D-O-N-E<br/>No one can measure up to God's standard of holiness<br/>No self-effort or sacrifice can merit God's favor/EL<br/>When Jesus died on the cross, He said, "It is finished."<br/>He did for you what you can't do for yourself<br/>He has paid the price for your sins</p> <p>If you accept His gift of forgiveness through faith, you can become a Christian and be certain of where you'll go when you die. If you ever want to talk further, I'm available for you.</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Xs and Os</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Most people think they can earn eternal life if their Os outnumber or outweigh their Xs</li> </ol> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;"> </div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Bible says Os don't offset Xs. Nothing can remove an X.</li> <li>3. There's only one way to get rid of Xs.<br/>Jesus died on the cross to wipe out your Xs.</li> </ol> <div style="text-align: center; margin: 10px 0;"> </div> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. You need only trust in what He did for you.</li> </ol>  |