



Worship: Foundations

JESUS – THE VIDEOS

Part 2 - Who is Jesus?

The video by Revd Dr Calvin Samuel, which lasts just 5 minutes, can be found here:

<https://vimeo.com/248150329>

Outline:

In this video, Calvin Samuel explores the continuing relevance of Jesus for us today. He points out that Jesus is more than just a historical character. Thanks to the resurrection, Jesus is still alive and present to us, by his Spirit, today.

Calvin Samuel highlights four aspects of who Jesus is:

- 1) Jesus walked where we walk;
- 2) As risen Lord, he is with us in our darkest and most joyful times;
- 3) Jesus is our teacher, moving us on from where we are but also recognising our limitations as disciples; and
- 4) Jesus is our Saviour, who has engaged in our space and time, and, through the Cross opens the way to God.

You'll notice that, when he unpacks the meaning of the Cross, he speaks of Jesus 'purchasing' our redemption. We exploring that, and other approaches to the meaning of the Cross, in the *Worship: Leading & Preaching* course.

Reflection:

Imagine you meet someone who is curious to find out who Jesus is. They ask you as you get into a lift in a very tall building. The lift will take just 90 seconds. What will you say to them in that time? If you speak very quickly, you may manage about 250 words, but less is sometimes more!

Which of these two responses to Jesus do you most identify with at the moment? Why?

'I believe, help my unbelief' (Mark 9:24)

'Truly this was God's Son!' (Mark 15:39)