



## LifeGroup Discussion Guide

### Jesus: God or Man?

*Remember this page is designed to begin a discussion with your LifeGroup. It is not comprehensive. Allow the following questions to spur on deeper and further conversation, study, and discussion.*

The person of the Son of God has existed always. Our lesson on Sunday ended with a call to worship. The premise came from C.S. Lewis' **"Mere Christianity"** that challenged us to confess Jesus as more than any *"mere man"*. **READ John 1:1-5.** How many persons are mentioned in **verse 1**? What is their nature? [Bonus: what attribute of God is mentioned in **verse 4**? Hint: it was the 1st attribute we studied in our *"Attributes"* series]

There are 3 groups that deny Jesus' deity today: atheists, false religions, cults. Go around and share what you've experienced as to **"Why"** people reject Jesus' deity? What do you think motivates individuals from each of those categories? What are some personal consequences of denying Jesus as fully God?

We learned from our text that Jesus isn't *"only"* God; He is also fully human. **READ: Hebrews 2:9-11, Philippians 2:6-7, & John 1:14.** **Philippians 2:6** teaches us that Jesus was made as a *"servant"*, and **Hebrews 2:9** tells us that he was made *"a little lower than the angels"*. **John** teaches that God came in the *"flesh"*. What do you find most striking about Jesus' incarnation? Of the 7 examples given on Sunday which stands out to you the most and why?

**READ: Hebrews 4:15** - notice the term *"sympathizing/empathizing"*. Our main text in **Hebrews 2:11** states that Jesus is *"not ashamed"* to call them brothers and sisters. How does Jesus' common testing as a human man translate for you as confidence in your faith? How does it make you feel to know that Jesus is interceding for you before the Father as One who knows the struggle of humanity? What does this teach us about God's love?

**READ: 1 John 4:1-3.** Why does John think it is critical that we confess Jesus' dual nature? How does this dual nature explain Jesus' ability to make atonement for sins (return back to **Hebrews 2:17-18**). End your session with each persons contribution for how our understanding of Jesus as the **"God-man"** increases our ability to worship?