Sermon Notes

Who Do You Say I am? Fall Apologetics Series
Week 2: The Spiritual Answer

Week 1: When **we** answer the question, we must **embrace** Jesus' understanding, and **reject** all others. It's the difference between the **godly** answer, and the **demonic**.

Week 2:

Answer #1: Jesus' **work** is mainly **spiritual**.

Group 1: The **Gnostics**.

The **Christ** spirit came upon the man **Jesus**, to communicate **secrets** to **shed** the **physical** world.

The **physical** is not the **issue**, but rather **sin** which **corrupts** **both** the spiritual and physical.

Scripture Reference: 1 **John** 4:2-3

Group 2: **Christ** **Consciousness**.

Christ came to show that each of us has **Christ** in **us**, and that we are to be **one** with him as Christs **ourselves**.

Though we can **experience** Jesus' **divine nature**, we will **always** be a **creation**, **below** God, and that's not a **bad** thing.

Scripture Reference: **John** 3:27-30

Group 3: **Full** **Preterists**.

All prophecies of **Jesus** and his **return** were fulfilled by **70** AD, and now Jesus **reigns** **spiritually** as the world continues in its **current** state indefinitely.

The Scripture is **clear**: Jesus will **return** **physically** and reign with his people in a **new** creation.

Scripture Reference: 2 **John** 1:7

A Jesus that focuses on the **spiritual** at the **detriment** of the **physical** is not the Messiah of the Bible, because the **true** Jesus seeks to **restore** the whole of creation.

Challenge:

This week, as you compare your list of who you say Jesus is, ask yourself, Do I view Jesus as only a spiritual Savior? Or do I recognize that he is interested in both physical and spiritual restoration?