

## How Can We Be Like Jesus?

### (1 Corinthians 11:1)

Did you know that the gospel requires that we be like Jesus? That is exactly what Paul instructs us to do in 1 Corinthians 11:1.

It is critical that we pay close attention to the language Paul uses in this verse. Notice he does not say "Be Jesus." There is no way we could ever be Jesus.

#### I. Why can't we Be Jesus?

- A. Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 2:21-22; Hebrews 4:15).
  - 1. All of us of an accountable age have sinned against God (Romans 3:10, 23).
  - 2. Jesus is the exception to the teaching given by Paul in Romans 3!
- B. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ (John 1:20; Matthew 1:1).
  - 1. The Old Testament word "Christ" is equivalent to the Hebrew word "Anointed" or "Messiah."
  - 2. Jesus was specifically set apart and chosen by God to be the Messiah (Isaiah 53:6, 12).
- C. Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 5:6-10; 2 Peter 3:18; 1 John 4:14).
  - 1. We can't be the Savior because we all need a Savior (John 3:16).
  - 2. His precious blood is the solution to our sin problem!

#### II. How can we Be Like Jesus?

- A. We can be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1. Jesus always made time to serve and make the lives of others better (John 4:1-30; 6:1-14; Matthew 15:21-28; John 11:1-37; Matthew 20:29-34; Luke 19:1-10).
  - 2. He demands that we follow His example (Philippians 2:3-5).
- B. We can be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1. Jesus never lies or popularized His message to appeal to the masses (Luke 18:18-23; John 4:17-18; 6:31-58). He spoke the truth because that was going to help people go to heaven (John 8:32).
  - 2. He demands that we follow His example (Ephesians 4:15).
- C. We can \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 1. Jesus was all about helping people go to heaven (Luke 19:10).
  - 2. He demands that we follow His example (Matthew 9:37-38).

#### III. Disciples are to imitate the qualities found in the life of Jesus. Are you His disciple?