

Devotion Info
Consider Jesus

DAY 1 Read Mark 2:16-17

[16] But when the teachers of religious law who were Pharisees saw him eating with tax collectors and other sinners, they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with such scum?" [17] When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners."
Mark 2:16-17 NLT

- Why do you think Jesus worded His call to salvation in this way?

DAY 2 Read John 14:6 and Acts 4:12

[6] Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me. John 14:6 NLT

*[12] There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved." A*cts 4:12 NLT

- Why do you think our culture today struggles with the exclusive claims of Jesus… that He is the only way to God?

DAY 3 Read Ephesians 2:8-9

[8] God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. [9] Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.
Ephesians 2:8-9 NLT

Key Point: It's been said that all the other religions of the world say "DO." Christianity says "DONE."

- What are some "DO" or "Christ Plus" things you've felt you needed to add to faith in Jesus?

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DAY 4 Read Romans 3:22

[22] We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.
Romans 3:22 NLT

- How would a "Christ plus" way of believing and living diminish the work He did for you?

DAY 5 Read John 20:24-29.

[24] One of the twelve disciples, Thomas (nicknamed the Twin), was not with the others when Jesus came. [25] They told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he replied, "I won't believe it unless I see the nail wounds in his hands, put my fingers into them, and place my hand into the wound in his side." [26] Eight days later the disciples were together again, and this time Thomas was with them. The doors were locked; but suddenly, as before, Jesus was standing among them. "Peace be with you," he said. [27] Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe!" [28] "My Lord and my God!" Thomas exclaimed. [29] Then Jesus told him, "You believe because you have seen me. Blessed are those who believe without seeing me."
John 20:24-29 NLT

- In what ways can you identify with Thomas?
- What does this passage say about the heart of Jesus?

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