



Taking Jesus As He Is
Jesus is Not Customizable

Mark 4:33-41

33 With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it.

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34 He did not speak to them without a parable, but privately to his own disciples he explained everything.

35 On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side."

36 And leaving the crowd, they took him with them in the boat, **just as he was**. And other boats were with him.

37 And a great windstorm
arose, and the waves were
breaking into the boat, so that
the boat was already filling.

38 But he was in the stern,
asleep on the cushion. And
they woke him and said to him,
“Teacher, do you not care that
we are perishing?”

39 And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

40 He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?"

41 And they were filled with great fear and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

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is

- Customize every aspect of our lives
 - Cable
 - Clothes
 - Cars
 - Homes
 - Menus
 - Exercise
 - Phone plans

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- Customize every aspect of our lives
- Many will say, "That's not what my Jesus would do."

SO GOD CREATED MAN IN HIS OWN IMAGE
IN THE IMAGE OF GOD HE CREATED HIM
MALE AND FEMALE HE CREATED THEM

GENESIS 1:27



11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.

John 1:11

22 For Jews demand signs and
Greeks seek wisdom,

1 Corinthians 1:22-24

23 but we preach Christ
crucified, a stumbling block to
Jews and folly to Gentiles,

24 but to those who are called,
both Jews and Greeks, Christ
the power of God and the
wisdom of God.

Taking Jesus as He is Means...

- Cannot compromise truth

21 And Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "You lack one thing: go, sell all that you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me."

Mark 10:21-22

22 Disheartened by the saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

38 For whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

Mark 8:38

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- Commitment to discipleship

Whoever does not bear his
own cross and come after me
cannot be my disciple.

Luke 14:27

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- Commitment to discipleship
- Developing a forgiving heart

“But go, tell His disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see Him, just as He told you.’”

Mark 16:7

Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.

Matthew 18:22

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Taking Jesus as He is Means...

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- Accepting the church as Jesus established it

“Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

Acts 20:28

Peter *said* to them, “Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:38

So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:41

praising God and having favor
with all the people. And the
Lord was adding to their
number day by day those who
were being saved.

Acts 2:47

If we expect Jesus to still the storms of our lives, we need to take Him as He is.

He who rejects ME
and does not receive MY words,
has that which judges him---
the word that I have spoken
will judge him in the last day.

John 12:48