

The Creed

The Approachable Jesus

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019

KEY SCRIPTURE | Hebrews 4:15–16

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Last week in The Creed series, our focus was on Christ the King. This Sunday, we recognized the humanity of Jesus. Jesus suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. So anything we go through, Jesus gets it. Hebrews 4:15–16 tells us that Jesus was tempted as we are, in every respect. Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, in our struggles.

Jesus' incarnation, when the eternal Son entered physically into our world and became one of us, means there is a God in heaven who knows what we go through—not only in theory, but in actual practice, He knows. Jesus understands the flesh because he became flesh. Jesus gets it.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Think back to Sunday's message. What do you remember? Review your notes if you have them. If you're with a life group, talk with them about anything you found memorable or confusing.
2. Read Isaiah 9:6 and Isaiah 53:3–4. How do these prophecies point to Jesus' humanity?
3. Read Matthew 4:1–11. Identify the three key ways in which the devil tempted Jesus. What is at the heart of each of these temptations?
4. How do we see the same type of temptations manifest in our lives?
5. Read Matthew 26:36–43. What emotions does Jesus express in this passage?
6. In that same passage, how does Jesus' prayer point to His humanity?
7. Share a time in your life where you were tempted. Or when you wanted to pray and ask God to 'let this cup pass.'
8. What's your biggest take away from Sunday's message and today's discussion?

NOW WHAT?

What, or who, do you turn to in hard times? This week, go to Jesus.

In an effort to work towards turning to Jesus, meditate on Matthew 11:28.

