

GROUNDING

Sunday, February 6, 2022 | Wawasee Bible | Milford, Indiana | Pastor Josh Weiland

Part 4 | **Grounded in Christ**

Hebrews 1:1-4

EFCA Statement of Faith | Article 4. Jesus Christ

We believe that Jesus Christ is God incarnate, fully God and fully man, one Person in two natures. Jesus—Israel's promised Messiah—was conceived through the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He lived a sinless life, was crucified under Pontius Pilate, arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father as our High Priest and Advocate.

Jesus is God's **WORD** to us v. 1-2

Israel's promised Messiah

Gen. 3:15; 2 Cor. 1:20; Gen. 12:1-3; 2 Sam. 7:11-16; Matt. 1:1, 17; Luke 4:16-22; 24:25-27; John 1:29, 41; 4:25-26; Rom. 1:2-3

and he is fully **GOD** v. 2-4

100% God in every way

John 1:1; Colossians 2:9; 1:15-19; Isaiah 9:6; Jeremiah 23:6; John 20:28

who became fully **HUMAN** v. 3

100% human in every way

John 1:14; Matthew 1:21; 4:2; Luke 2:40, 52; John 11:35; Hebrews 5:7-8; 1 John 1:1-3

conceived through the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary

Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-20; Luke 1:34-35

only person to ever live a perfect, sinless life

Hebrews 4:15; Romans 5:19; Galatians 4:4-5; Matthew 3:15; Philipians 2:5-11

in order to **SAVE** us! v. 3

died and was buried

1 Corinthians 15:3-4; Deuteronomy 21:23; Psalm 16:10; Matthew 27:26; Mark 15:15; Luke 23:16; John 19:16; Acts 2:27, 37

arose bodily from death

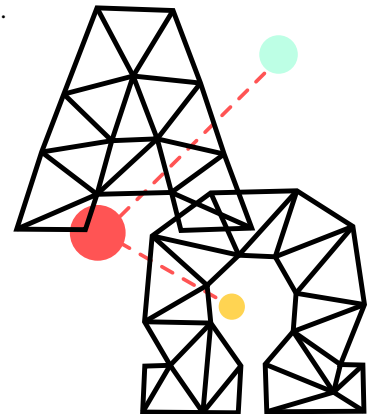
Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:39; Romans 4:25; 1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 20, 44-45; Colossians 1:18; Revelation 1:5

ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father

Luke 24:51; Acts 1:6-11; Ephesians 1:20; 4:8-10; 1 Timothy 3:16; Acts 5:31; Ephesians 1:20; Colossians 3:1; Hebrews 1:3; 8:1; 1 Peter 3:22; Psalm 110:1-2

he is our High Priest and Advocate

Hebrews 2:17; 3:1; 4:14-15; 6:20; 8:1; 1 Timothy 2:5; Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25; 9:24; 1 John 2:1



Jesus is one person with two complete and distinct natures.

- 1) He has a divine nature – he is entirely & fully God
- 2) Since his conception in Mary's womb he has possessed a human nature – he is entirely & perfectly human

Theologically this is referred to as the **hypostatic union**.

What is this? – Each week people from Wawasee Bible meet in small groups in various homes to learn about Jesus, pray, eat, laugh, and live life together. We call them Life Groups. The questions here are based on the sermon each week (often a parallel passage of Scripture), and guide each group's study. If you're interested in connecting with a Life Group, let us know on a Connect Card at the Connect Desk.

Use this guide for further personal and group study this week. For the most impact in your life and in your group, *work through it on your own before you gather with your Life Group.* If your Life Group isn't gathering this week, use this as a guide for further study and growth personally.

Getting Started

Part of our goal together is getting to know more about one another.

Do you fold your pizza? Do you have any other weird—I mean “unique”—eating habits?

Review...

1. **Read Article 4 of our Statement of Faith aloud as a group.**
2. **Read Colossians 1:15-19 and Hebrews 1:1-4.** What do you notice about Jesus in these passages?

Review your message notes. What stood out to you from the message this week? Do you have questions? Disagreements? Discuss it as a group.

Digging Deeper

Part of our Statement of Faith reads that Jesus is “Israel’s promised Messiah”. We saw this weekend from Hebrews 1 that Jesus is God’s Word to us, and that God spoke through the prophets about Jesus, but now he speaks to us in Jesus.

3. One of the benefits of studying fulfilled prophecy is the confidence it gives us in God’s sovereignty, the truth that he’s in control and nothing happens outside of his influence and authority. What can you learn about God’s sovereignty from his words to the Israelites in **Isaiah 46:3-11**?
4. Can you think of any examples of how knowing about God’s sovereignty has helped you in the midst of a tough season?

5. Trials, challenges and opposition give us opportunities to trust God’s sovereignty and face things with confidence. Are there any areas in which you are struggling to see God’s sovereignty? If so, what could help you gain a clearer picture of God’s knowledge and control of your circumstances?
6. **Hebrews 4:14-16** paints the picture of Jesus as our “High Priest.” As you read this passage, what parts of it ring true and/or are most confusing in regards to your perception of who Jesus is and how He relates to our world?
7. Do you typically feel you have full access to God? Why or why not? Can we ever take that access for granted?
8. Do you ever have a hard time believing that Jesus understands the difficulties you face in life? If so, explain?
9. This weekend Pastor Josh mentioned that Jesus is both like us and unlike us. What did he mean? How are both truths encouraging? How do the following passages speak to this?

John 1:1, 14

Philippians 2:5-11

Hebrews 5:7-8

1 John 1:1-3

Hebrews 4:15

Romans 5:19

Closing

Looking back on this week’s teaching and homework, what’s most important for you to remember?

As you close, share your applications and pray for each other.

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Word Find in the Word

Find the words from a passage related to this week’s message.

Word Find for Hebrews 1:1-4 (ESV)

*Find the words **bolded** below.*

1 Long ago, at **many times** and in **many ways**, God **spoke** to our **fathers** by the **prophets**, **2** but in these **last days** he has **spoken** to us by his Son, whom he **appointed** the **heir** of all **things**, through whom **also** he **created** the world. **3** He is the **radiance** of the **glory** of God and the **exact imprint** of his **nature**, and he **upholds** the **universe** by the **word** of his **power**. After **making purification** for **sins**, he sat down at the **right hand** of the **Majesty** on **high**, **4** **having become** as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.