

Message Notes

Sola Christus: Christ Alone

Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

Introduction – “Anybody seen Jesus?”

Today’s Message:
Sola Christus: Christ Alone
John 1

Why is Sola Christus important?

Who is Jesus?

John 1:1-18
Philippians 2:5-11
Colossians 1:15-20
Hebrews 1:1-4

Was it necessary that Jesus come to earth?

Matthew 26:39
John 14:1-7
1 Timothy 2:5

Is Jesus Christ exclusive for our salvation?

“I am” statements of Jesus in John
John 18:4-6
Acts 4:8-12

What did Jesus accomplish?

Romans 3:21-26
see also (Romans 1:1-4, Hebrews 9:15-28,
Hebrews 10)

Summary:

Jesus accomplished ALL of these:

Propitiation (*Substitutionary Atonement*)
Redemption (*Our Ransom paid*)
Reconciliation (*We get to go home!*)
Justice and Justification (*Imputation show
God’s Justice and Mercy!*)
Victory and Conquest (*Christus Victor*)
Moral Example

Penal Substitution – *the jewel rediscovered by the reformers*

What does all this matter to me?

Gospel Application – “Does your understanding of Jesus lead solely to better understanding or to a life of worship and following him?”

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!
⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Colossians 1:15-20

¹⁵The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Matthew 26:39

Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, “My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.”

John 14:6

⁶Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

1 Timothy 2:5

For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus.

Acts 4:12

¹²Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to mankind by which we must be saved.”

John 18:6

⁶When Jesus said, “I am he,” they drew back and fell to the ground.

Romans 3:19-27

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. ²⁰Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God’s sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.

²¹But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. ²²This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. ²⁵God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, ²⁶through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—²⁷he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

²⁷Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded...