

Jesus is Better

Just about everyone agrees that Jesus was a great man who spoke with wisdom, served the poor, and even worked miracles. But is that all Jesus was - a really great guy? Throughout the years, this world has seen plenty of great men come and go: names like Alexander, Leonardo, Shakespeare, and Churchill come to mind. But nobody worships or prays to other great men like we do with Jesus. So what sets Jesus apart? Why is he worthy, not only of our admiration, but of our worship? For four weeks in September at The Story Church, we'll explore what makes Jesus unique, and we'll discover why the greatness of Jesus surpasses that of even the greatest men on earth.

September 28, 2025 - Part 4 - Jesus Is The Better Priest

Hebrews 4:14-15 - Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has ascended into heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin.

What's the difference between Jesus and priests? Why is this significant?

Priests: Sinful _____

Jesus: Sinless _____

Hebrews 4:16 - Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Why is Jesus the better priest? What is the one radical, distinguishing mark Jesus offers that no other religion, person, or movement can fully offer?

Jesus Is Better Because of _____

Why is Grace so difficult and important to understand?

What's the definition of Grace, and how does it differ from justice and mercy?

The author of Hebrews says we should "approach God's throne of grace with confidence." How then should we NOT approach God's throne of grace?

How do you approach and find God's Grace with humble confidence?

Approach God's Throne of Grace With _____, Not _____ Or _____

2 Corinthians 12:9 - But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

How can you boast in your weaknesses because of your trust in the "blank check" of God's Grace?

Hebrews 5:7-9 - During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. 8 Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered 9 and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him

_____ Is A Response to Grace, Not a Condition For It

How does fully understanding God's Grace lead you to a life of joyful obedience to Him?

How can you confidently approach God's Grace today, and what's your next step of obedience in response to His Grace?



New Communion Team

To improve our Sunday worship experience, we'll be introducing a new Communion Team next month! Team members will help pass the trays through the pews and ensure our communion is executed smoothly alongside our Hospitality Team. Sign up on **thestory.church/serve**



Upcoming BeLoved Women's Ministry Luncheon

Save the date to join us on Friday, October 24 at 11:30am for our Fall BeLoved luncheon, featuring Allison Evans & Taylor Dukes! Visit **thestory.church/events** to read more and purchase your ticket to attend.



Children's Christmas Choir Registration

Registration for our annual Christmas Choir for PreK - 6th is open! Rehearsals take place on Sundays at 12:30pm starting October 5. Visit **thestory.church/events** to register your child to participate by the October 1st deadline.