

Liar, Lunatic, or Lord?

Dear Friend:

I was recently reviewing a student's project that asked the student what they thought about Jesus. The student's response, "I believe he was a person with good morals and important ethics." He went on to express the thought that Jesus was a good man, but not a divine being. I don't blame the student for this concept; he has never been introduced to the concept of Christ's dual nature: both God and man.

The belief that Jesus was only a man and not God as well, is very prevalent among adults today. As a result, there are fewer and fewer adults (and children) who believe that Jesus is no different than Mohammed, Confucius, Budha, or some of the "great" Rabbis of the past. How do we square that belief with Jesus' resurrection? "That's easy", his resurrection never happened, it was made-up! Jesus is not Lord, he is just a great teacher of good morals and high ethics.

Watchman Nee, a 20th century Christian writer and speaker said this, "A person who claims to be God and yet in fact is not, he has to be a madman or a lunatic. Second, if he is neither God nor a lunatic, he has to be a liar, deceiving others by his lie. Third, if he is neither of these, he must be God (Lord). You can only choose one of the three possibilities." Think about it, some of the statements Jesus said about himself include: "I and the Father are one", "If you have seen me you have seen the Father", "I am the light of the world", "No one gets to the Father but through me". Jesus either had the biggest Messianic complex in the history of the world, or he was THEE Messiah. I believe every one of you reading this believes he is the Messiah.

So, what do you do with the Liar, Lunatic, or Lord truth? You witness to your friends and family members who do not know Jesus. Ask them what they think. I have always found that asking non-believers questions is a more effective way to witness than arguing with them.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Mike

Events: Easter Egg Hunt Presented by New Albany Presbyterian Church held at Franklin Church April 9th. RSVP at <https://newalbanypresbyterian.org/events-calendar/>.

Prayer Requests: Jon Waugh Family, Marilyn Piper Family, Clarabell Harlan