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“Who Is This Man?”
(Matthew 16: 13-20)

In first century Palestine it was not unusual for people to come along and claim to be the _____.

John the Baptist considered himself to be the _____ of the messiah.

The _____ that confronts you and me today is the same one that confronted those early disciples.

Who do you say Jesus Christ is?
Opinions vary:

#1. – For some people he is an _____ of the best of what it means to be _____.

He is the _____ person for us to emulate. He is the _____ for what we all should be.

Jesus is the _____ we measure our lives by.

#2. – He is also the best _____ of what God is like.

As professor John Killinger explained: “*Jesus is God’s way of getting rid of a bad _____.*”

Bad ideas of God always produce correspondingly bad _____.

Because we could not _____ up to God, God _____ down to us in Jesus of Nazareth!

He is the _____ of what God is really like.

Out of His great love for us, God _____ Himself and becomes as we are.

As the little boy said, “*Jesus is the best _____ God ever had taken.*”

WHO is Christ to you?

....and What difference does it make in your life?

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