Man or Myth?

**Questions**: Was Jesus a man or myth? What was he really like? How much of what people say about him is just religious fairy tale? What’s the big deal about him anyway? Why should I be interested in him? What difference can understanding a 1st century man make in my 21st century life? How does his life story relate to my life story? Why should I know Jesus? What can he do for me? Why does it matter? Why does HE matter?

**Big Idea**: Discovering Jesus as a man encourages me to relate to him personally and helps me live for him in my own context.

**I. Jesus had a h\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ context** *John 5:39*

A) Jesus’ t\_\_\_\_\_\_ and p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

B) Jesus’ birth, f\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Matthew 2:14-15; Luke 2: 42-52; Mark 6:1-3; Acts 1:14; Galatians 1:19*

C) Jesus’ e\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and p\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*Luke 10:21; John 4: 6-7; 11:35; Luke 22:44; Mark 15:34*

**II. Jesus had a d\_\_\_\_\_ n\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_: *100% God; 100% man***

A) Jesus c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be God *John 10:30*

B) Jesus’ closest companions c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ his dual nature

*1John 1:1; Hebrews 2:17-18*

**III. Jesus had a God-given v\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

A) Jesus’ c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for ministry *Luke 3:23a*

B) Jesus’ c\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ into ministry

1. Jesus’ baptism announced him as the son of God

 *Luke 3:21-22; John 8:46a; 1Peter 2:22; Galatians 3: 26*

2. Jesus’ temptation tested his identity as the son of God

 *Matthew 4:1-11; Hebrews 4:15*

