

# Foundations

## The Person and the Work of Christ

### Jesus Christ

- I. Jesus is not the created; He is the Creator
  - a. Genesis 1:1
  - b. John 1:1–3
    - i. I AM: John 8:58–59
- II. Jesus is the God-man: *Theanthropos*
  - a. Hypostatic Union
- III. Jesus' ultimate work
  - a. The Cross: Substitute, Satisfaction, Propitiation
  - b. Buried
  - c. Resurrection
- IV. Application
  - a. Unbeliever: Salvation
  - b. Believer: Ultimate Confidence

### Questions for Individual Bible Study and/or Community Groups

1. Read Genesis 1:1, John 1:1–3, and John 8:48–59. Does Jesus give the option to call him something other than God? Why or why not? Why do so many people think he's not God (including Christians)? What should we do to help people understand who He is?
2. Have you ever heard the term, *hypostatic union*? Why bother with this fancy term? What importance is there in knowing about this hypostatic union? At the end of the day, the term itself is not essential, but the concept behind the term is infinitely amazing and worshipfully mind-stretching. Why is it important?
3. After we look at who Jesus is, we turn to His ultimate work (the gospel): His death, burial, and resurrection.
  - a. When we look at the cross, we see three aspects: substitution, satisfaction, and propitiation. Read Romans 5:6, Romans 8:3–4, Romans 3:21–25, and Hebrews 9:1–5. Discuss or write down what you observe and learn from these verses.
  - b. Why is the burial important?
  - c. Why is the resurrection of utmost importance? Read 1 Corinthians 15:12–19.
4. What are some applications you can apply to your life because of the truth of who Jesus is and His work? What foundational blocks do you need to continue to build upon in your life?