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1: 1-4

Now that Jesus has come, the people should rest in who He is and what He has done to accomplish salvation.

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Progressive revelation:

God's plan of salvation was not revealed at once, but over time; culminating in the person and work of the Messiah.

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These prophecies built upon each other, creating an increasingly better picture of the salvation that God's Messiah would accomplish.

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1 Peter 1:10-12

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Such prophecies find their ultimate fulfillment in the gospel.

The gospel does not float in the air; it is rooted in God's past revelation to the prophets.

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2 Peter 1:20

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Deuteronomy 13:5

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Zechariah 1:1-3

In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, the word of the LORD came to the prophet Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, son of Iddo, saying, "The LORD was very angry with your fathers.

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Zechariah 1:1-3

Therefore say to them, Thus declares the LORD of hosts: Return to me, says the LORD of hosts, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.

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Numbers 12:6-9

And he said, "Hear my words: If there is a prophet among you, I the LORD make myself known to him in a vision; I speak with him in a dream.

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Genesis 37:5-8

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Numbers 12:7-8

Not so with my servant Moses. He is faithful in all my house. With him I speak mouth to mouth, clearly, and not in riddles, and he beholds the form of the LORD.

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There is no higher revelation of God than Jesus Christ, because is God.

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Jesus is Heir

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Psalm 2:7-8

I will tell of the decree:
The LORD said to me, "You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.
Ask of me, and I will make the nations your
heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

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Jesus is Creator

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The most hated verse of the Bible, and
therefore the most attacked verse in
the Bible is Genesis 1:1.

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The world teaches that time and
chance created everything, but time
has no power and neither does chance.

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John 1:1-3

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Colossians 1:15-17

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Jesus was not created; He is the Creator.

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Jesus is the Radiance

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John 8:12

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

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John 12:35-36

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Jesus is God

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Colossians 1:19-20

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Jesus is Sustainer

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Jesus Christ, God the Son, is not only the Creator, but He is the Sustainer of the entire creation.

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Colossians 1:17

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Reality and the existence of anything continuously depend upon God.

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Jesus is Purifier

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Isaiah 64:6

We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.

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Leviticus 17:11

For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it for you on the altar to make atonement for your souls, for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life.

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If Christ is your Savior, then you can trust that you are not filthy in the eyes of God, because God Himself has made you pure.

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Jesus is Exalted

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Sitting at the right hand symbolizes
power and authority.

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Psalm 110:1

The LORD says to my Lord:
"Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool."

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Exodus 15: 4-6, 12

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Luke 1:30-33

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Jesus is Superior

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The more you understand who Jesus is,
the more you will trust in what He has
done to bring about your salvation.

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1. The author of Hebrews opens his sermon/essay with a multitude of statements which reveal the importance of recognizing Jesus for who He truly is. Read over Hebrews 1:1-4 once again.
 - A. Is such information about Jesus Christ emphasized or known by most professing Christians? _____
 - B. What are some practical benefits of knowing and dwelling on the information presented about Jesus in the opening verses?

2. It has become common for many churches to emphasize the practical Christianity at the cost of the theological Christianity. Why do you think this is becoming so popular? What are some solutions?

3. How would you advise a friend who says, “Doctrine is so boring, I just want to know how to have a fulfilled and happy life.”

4. Many people deny that God created the heavens, earth, plants, animals, and humans. Think about the consequences of such thinking. How does one find meaning, purpose, dignity, value, ethics, morals, etc. if they reject the most fundamental fact of reality; God created?

5. The author of Hebrews makes a point to say that Christ is seated at the right hand of God, drawing from Psalm 110:1. The apostle Peter also makes this point in Acts 2:23-33. What does Peter say is the proof that Jesus, the one they had crucified, was now at the right hand of God the Father?

6. How would you respond to a Christian who said, “The Old Testament is not important anymore, that’s why I just carry a New Testament only Bible.”

