The Person of Jesus Christ

1. Why is it important for a Christian to learn of the Person of Jesus Christ?
   - Because Christ is God and therefore the object of our faith and worship
   - The purpose of Salvation is for us to be conformed into His likeness – Rom 8:29

2. How important is this compared to learning other things about the Christian faith such as salvation, the church, prayer, evangelism, etc…?
   - It is absolutely vital for from these truths flows all other issues of the faith
   - It is imperative to teach to a disciple and to continue to weave these truth’s through all future teaching, this is the MAIN THING

Intro –

- Correlation of John 1:1 with Genesis 1:1
- Jesus Christ is 100% fully man and 100% fully God – see below for scripture references
- The claims of Christ make Him either a liar or lunatic or God Himself! – there is no middle ground – He claims to be:
  A. The source of Life – John 6:33, John 5:26
  B. The judge of all men and nations – Matt 25:31-46
  C. The creator – John 8:58, Rev 1:8
  D. To have pre-existed the world in heaven – John 6:38, 17:5
  E. To have power over sickness and death – John 11:25
  F. God and the only way to God – John 8:58, 14:6

The God who became a man –

1. Incarnation, Condescension, pre-existence are all terms referring to the fact that God left the glory of heaven and became a man in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ.

   Phil 2:6-9 - 6 who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. 8 Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. NASU

   John 6:38 - For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. NIV

   John 3:13 - 13 No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven-the Son of Man. NIV

2. There are bible texts in almost every New Testament book which clearly speak of Jesus Christ as a man. 1 Tim 2:5, Rev 1:13, John 1:14, Matt 1:23, etc…

The man who is God – The Deity of Christ

1. The bible makes it very clear that Jesus Christ is God and the creator and sustainer of the universe;

   Hebrews 1:1-3 - 2 in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world. 3 And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power. NASU

   Colossians 1:15-17 - 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things have been created through Him and for Him. 17 He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. NASU
John 1:3 - 3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. NASU

Other Key Texts relating to the Deity of Christ – 1 Cor 8:6, Titus 2:13, Rom 9:5, John 17:5, 1 John 5:20, Acts 20:28, Rev 1:8, 5:13, others etc…

The Christ who is Savior –

1. The Old Testament prophesied of a Savior, the messiah who would save God’s people from their sins and their enemies and bring God’s Kingdom to the earth. - Job 19:25, Isaiah 53, 62:11, Dan 7:13-14,26-27, Dan 9:25-27, Psalms 22, etc…
2. The New Testament clearly proclaims Christ as the Savior of the world and the only way to be saved from death. - 1 John 2:2, 4:14, John 4:42, Rev 5:9-10, Tit2:13, etc…

The King who comes to Rule

Christ will return as a conquering King and ;

1. Deliver His church –

1Thes 4:15-17 - According to the Lord's own word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.


2. Destroy the wicked -

2 Thess 1:7-10 - 7 and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. 8 He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power 10 on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you. NIV

2 Thes 1:7-11, Zeph 1, Jude 14-16, Isa 13:9-11

3. Establish His Kingdom upon the earth -

Matt 25:31 - 31 "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. NIV

Dan 2:44, 7:13-14, 26-27, Rev 19:11-16, Rev 20:1-10,

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