

DON'T GET DUPED

1 John 3:24 – 4:6

■ **A lot that's taught** _____.

1 John 4:1; see also Matthew 7:15; 24:24; Acts 17:11; 1 Timothy 4:1; 2 Peter 2:1

■ **Don't trust those who** _____.

1 John 4:2-3; see also 1 Corinthians 12:3; 1 John 2:18, 22; 2 John 1:7-11

What Jesus taught about Himself:

➤ **He is 100% God.**
John 8:58 (see also Exodus 3:14); John 10:30-33

➤ **He is 100% human.**
Mark 14:34; Luke 24:39; John 19:28

➤ **He is the King of Israel.**
Matthew 16:13-20; 26:63-64

➤ **He is the Savior of the world.**
John 3:14-17; 6:51; 11:25-26

➤ **He is the resurrected Lord.**
Matthew 17:9; 20:18-19; 24:30; 25:31; 26:32; 26:64; 28:18

■ **The Spirit of truth** _____.

1 John 4:4; see also John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13; Ephesians 1:19-20; 1 John 5:19

■ **Only those who** _____.

listen to the truth.

1 John 4:5-6; see also John 8:43-44, 47; 10:27; 15:19; 17:14; 1 Corinthians 2:12-14; 2 Corinthians 4:4; 2 Timothy 4:3

TRANSFORMED BY THE TRUTH

Questions for reflection and discussion

1. What are some adjectives you would use to describe the spiritual atmosphere of our culture? In what ways is Christianity counter-cultural?
2. Read Matthew 7:15; John 14:6; 1 Timothy 4:1; 2 Peter 2:1 and 1 John 4:1-6. What light do these passages shed on non-Christians religions?
3. What are some cults or other religions that teach what Paul calls in 2 Corinthians 11:4 "another Jesus"? Exactly how do they alter the biblical Jesus?
4. Do you think it is "Christian" to criticize other religions? Why or why not? What biblical passages support your perspective?
5. When do you think we are most vulnerable to false teaching? What practical steps can we take to protect ourselves?