

Hoped for outcomes:

Learn about the person Jesus in God's story

Connect your baptism in Jesus death and resurrection to what it means to be saved from sin and death.

Experience Jesus for yourself

1) Who is Jesus and why is he important? Out of the 6 aspects uplifted about the person of Jesus....which one is the most important to you? Why?

2) What makes Jesus different from other prophets and teachers of religion?

3) Share what it might have been like for you to encounter Jesus when he was here on earth. What might have been your response to his call to follow him? What might have been your response to his teachings and healings?

4) Based on the readings for the week:

- a) Why was Jesus born?
- b) According to Jesus (Mark 1) what were his first instructions to his disciples?
- c) In John's gospel when Jesus heals a man on the Sabbath and it tells us that the Jews (particularly the religious leaders persecuted Jesus....what does that mean? Why were they persecuting Jesus?
- d) What does the story about Jesus' death and resurrection tell us about the man Jesus? What does it tell us about the God who sent Jesus into the world?
- e) On the road to Emmaus two of Jesus' followers greet him on the road (after the resurrection). When was it that they realized that Jesus was present?

Readings for this week:

Luke 2:1-52

Mark 1:14-20

John 5:1-24

Mark 15-16

Luke 24:13-35

5) Questions regarding the teaching or the readings? Please submit at least 1 question per person, attach their name to each question please. Remember, there are no stupid questions.

6) Practice meeting Jesus in meals this week. Reflect on how Jesus is present in simple ways. Jesus once promised "wherever 2 or 3 are gathered in my name I will be with them (present)." How has Jesus been present as you gather together as an OIKOS community (a church in your home)?