No One Like Him

No One Like Jesus Has Ever **Existed**No One **Loves** Me Like Jesus Loves Me

Nobody Satisfies like Jesus Satisfies

Colossians 1:16

'For <u>by Him</u> 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 <u>through Him</u> and <u>for Him</u>.'

December 24th - Christmas Eve Service

Satisfaction comes when you embrace your truest **IDENTITY**

What does being created 'BY' Jesus mean for me?

Jesus is the <u>AGENT</u> of creation, humanity is the <u>PINNACLE</u> of His work
He gives me <u>PURPOSE</u>, Significance, <u>VALUE</u>, Design, being <u>KNOWN</u>
Satisfaction comes in having a <u>SECURE</u> identity; a real place in the world

December 25th - Christmas Day Service

Satisfaction comes when you connect with Your **CREATOR**

What does being created 'THROUGH' Jesus mean for me?

He **HIMSELF** initiated the creative action. He **DESIGNED** it to work

All human experience is best lived within the context of a genuine

RELATIONSHIP with Jesus

By **ALIGNING** my person with my creator I experience **PLEASURE**

January 1st – New Year's Day Service

Satisfaction comes when you serve a higher PURPOSE

What does being created 'FOR' Jesus mean for me?

It allows me to live for $\underline{\textbf{SOMEONE}}$ greater than myself

It brings the joy of serving **SOMETHING** greater than me

Auburn Grace Community Church - Dec. 24, 25; Jan. 1

Life Group Discussion Questions - December 24/25, 2022

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DISCOVER

- 1. What does it take to really get to know another person? What are the similarities in getting to know God? Any differences?
- 2. Do you know what you are created for? Generally speaking, is all of God's creation fulfilling what it was created for?
- 3. All people, in some way, seek deep, personal satisfaction. Why is this a universal pursuit? What are some common areas in life that people look to find this fulfillment? What have you found to be the greatest pleasures you've yet experienced?

EXPLORE

- 1. What is the relationship between Jesus and all created things, visible and invisible?
- 2. Re-read Colossians 1:16. If Jesus created everything for Himself, can we say that He primarily created this world for His glory and His own enjoyment? Explain. What does being created through Jesus mean? How is this different than being be made by Him?
- 3. Read Psalm 139. What are some of the advantages of God knowing everything about you? How could this be a source of motivation in your life? Even though we can't 'get away' from God, what do we do to sometimes hold Him at a distance?
- 4. No matter who you are and no matter how badly you've messed-up, explain how you are still, and will always be, God's masterpiece. (see Ephesians 2:10 and Colossians 3:10)
- 5. Read Romans 11:36 and Ephesians 3:20-21. How can these truths help you to see Christ's glory in the world around you more?

EXPERIENCE

- 1. Are you living your life for God? Which part of your life are you living for yourself? What do you need to change to give it up for Him? Have you acknowledged in your heart of hearts that you were indeed created for serving God? Or do you resist this?
- 2. "All human experience is best lived within the context of genuine relationship with Jesus." Is this true? How so? What has been your experience?
- 3. "I choose to make Jesus the Lord of my life." Where are the errors and truths in this statement?

PRAY

Pray... Father in Heaven, I give thanks that You considered me to be part of Your creation; for giving me the gift of life. That gives me great confidence that I belong to You and therefore, nothing can wrest me away from Your hand. Help me to be a living testimony for Your glory. Amen.

Action... Are you willing to serve your Creator no matter what He calls you to do? Write down what you need to do in the next week to live for Him.