











What defines you? What is your 'I Am'?

I am the bread of life I am the light of the world I am the gate I am the good shepherd I am the resurrection and the life I am the way, the truth, and the life I am the true vine

John 8

21 Once more Jesus said to them, "I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go, you cannot come."

22 This made the Jews ask, "Will He kill Himself? Is that why He says, 'Where I go, you cannot come'?"

23 But He continued, "You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.

24 I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am He, you will indeed die in your sins."

25 "Who are you?" they asked. "Just what I have been telling you from the beginning," Jesus replied.26 "I have much to say in judgment of you. But He who sent Me is trustworthy, and what I have heard from Him I tell the world."

27 They did not understand that He was telling them about His Father.28 So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He and that I do nothing on My own but speak just what the Father has taught me.

29 The one who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do what pleases Him." 30 Even as He spoke, many believed in Him.

48 The Jews answered Him, "Aren't we right in saying that you are a Samaritan and demon-possessed?"

49 "I am not possessed by a demon," said Jesus, "but I honor My Father and you dishonor Me. 50 I am not seeking glory for Myself; but there is One who seeks it, and He is the judge. 51 Very truly I tell you, whoever obeys My word will never see death."

52 At this they exclaimed, "Now we know that You are demonpossessed! Abraham died and so did the prophets, yet You say that whoever obeys Your word will never taste death. 53 Are You greater than our father Abraham? He died, and so did the prophets. Who do You think You are?"

54 Jesus replied, "If I glorify Myself, My glory means nothing. My Father, whom you claim as your God, is the One who glorifies Me. 55 Though you do not know Him, I know Him. If I said I did not, I would be a liar like you, but I do know Him and obey His word.

- 56 Your father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing My day; he saw it and was glad."
- 57 "You are not yet fifty years old," they said to Him, "and you have seen Abraham!"

58 "Very truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!" 59 At this, they picked up stones to stone Him, but Jesus hid Himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.

Exodus 3:13-14

13 Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is His name?' Then what shall I tell them?"

14 God said to Moses, "I am who I am. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I am has sent me to you.'"

Learning to trust Jesus is a process not an event

Ephesians 10:11-16 (NIV) **11 So Christ himself gave the** apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up

13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

14 Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming.

15 Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

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