

# They Were Called Christians

## HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

## SERMON NOTES

Revelation 5:1-5; 17:14

## I. Discovering the “Real Jesus”

### A. Introduction: A “Tame Jesus” versus the Jesus of the Gospels

1. Many people want a placid, unruffled Jesus with a sweet smile who pats children as He strolls by.

Matthew 17:17

Matthew 23:14, 37

John 6:15

Mark 3:5

John 2:15f

### B. Jesus was a Sinless Friend of Sinners

1. When Jesus came to earth His enemies hated Him because He was not the Messiah they wanted!

Luke 4:34

Luke 7:38

Luke 7:30, 34

Luke 18:14

John 4:26

Luke 23:43

Mark 14:61-64

2. Today, many religious are not "*friends to sinners*" as was Jesus, but rather are their enemy!

C. Jesus is "*The Word that was God*" (Jews stumbled over His deity, Gentiles over His humanity)

1. When teaching others, believers use words like; "omnipotence, omnipresence, omniscience, etc.!!!"

John 1:1, 14, 18

Mark 2:5-12; Luke 7:48; John 8:11

John 9:35, 38

John 5:17-19; 8:58-59; 10:30-31

## CONCLUSIONS:

Meadows: 1 John 1:7-9

Guests: 1 Corinthians 15:19

James 2:19

Luke 6:46

Mark 16:16