DISCUSSION GUIDE

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ICEBREAKER: What is your favorite bumper sticker or t-shirt slogan?

OVERVIEW: Is Jesus Christ God, and why does it matter? To the Jews, Jesus is just a man. To the Muslims, He was merely a prophet. To others, he was a righteous example and a good teacher, but not God. However, Christians have always believed and proclaimed the divinity of Jesus Christ. Why? Is there Biblical evidence for Christ's divinity? Did Jesus believe He was God? And why is it such a big deal? What would we really lose by giving up the doctrine of Christ's divinity?

- 1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain. (Or what was your key takeaway from Sunday's message?)
- 2. Why do you personally believe that Jesus Christ is God?
- 3. List as many reasons as you can for believing in the divinity of Jesus Christ?

4. What do Jehovah's Witnesses and Mormons believe about the divinity of Jesus Christ?

EVIDENCE FOR CHRIST'S DIVINITY
The Gospel of John — Week 57

- 5. Read Colossians 1:15-20.
 - a. What are the different ways that this passage proclaims the divinity of Christ?
 - b. What does it mean that Christ is "the firstborn over all creation"?
 - c. What does passage say about the relationship of Christ and creation?

6. Why is the divinity of Christ an important issue?

7. What are some evidences of Christ's divinity in John 18:1-11?

The Last Word: "The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact expression of his nature." Hebrews 1:3

