# WHO is it YOU WANT?

Ps Imelda | John 18:1-11

1 When Jesus had finished praying, Jesus left with his disciples and crossed the Kidron Valley. On the other side there was a garden, and he and his disciples went into it. 2 Now Judas, who betrayed him, knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with his disciples. 3 So Judas, came to the garden, guiding a detachment of soldiers and some officials from the chief priests and the Pharisees. They were carrying torches, lanterns and weapons.



4 Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who is it you want?" 5 "Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "I am He," Jesus said. (And Judas the traitor was standing there with them.) 6 When Jesus "I am He," they drew back and fell to the ground. 7 Again He asked them again, "Who is it you want?" "Jesus of Nazareth," they said.



8 Jesus answered, "I told you that I am He. If you are looking for me, then let these men go." 9 This happened so that the words he had spoken would be fulfilled: I have not lost none of those you gave me." 10 Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his right ear. (The servant's name was Malchus). 11 Jesus commanded Peter, "Put your sword away! Shall I not drink the cup the Father has given Me?"





- 1. Jesus desires that people come to Him for who He is.
  - 2. He is the type of Person you want to be in your life.
  - 3. Jesus is betrayed, arrested and forsaken.



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**JOHN 18:4-7** 

Who is it you want?



#### 1. "I am the bread of life"



JOHN 6:35-40 Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But as I told you, you have seen me and still you do not believe. All those the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up at the last day. For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day."

#### 2. "I am the light of the world"



JOHN 8:12; 9:5 Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.

MATTHEW 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

#### 3. "I am the door"

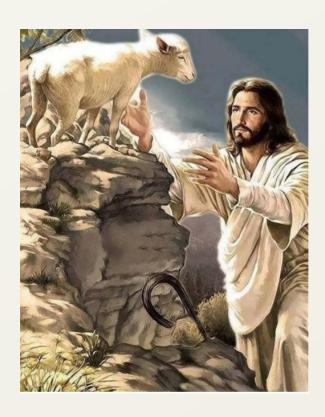


John 10:7-10 Therefore Jesus said again, "Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture.

V10) The thief only comes to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.

### 4. "I am the good shepherd"





John 10:11 "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

Like any good shepherd, Jesus will never leave you in your vulnerable situation. He will stick with you closer than a brother. He will carry you.



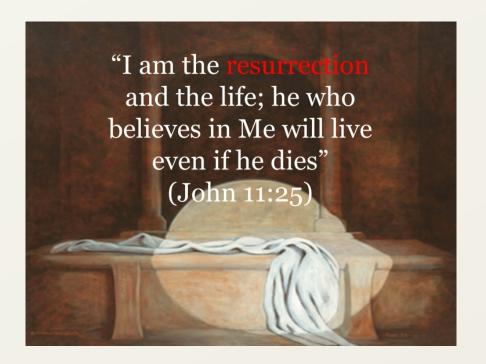
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**JOHN 18:8-9** 

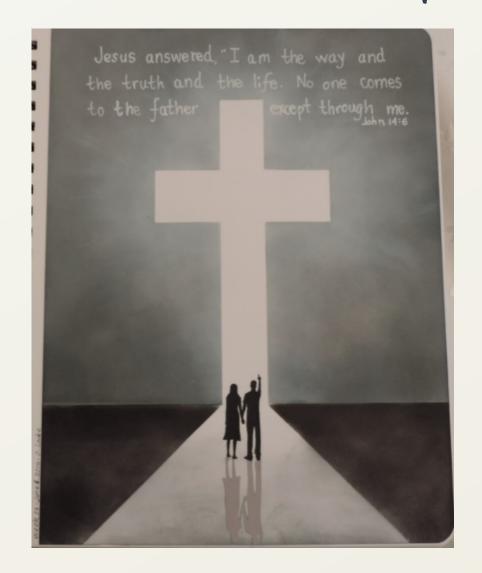
I am He.

# 5. "I am the resurrection and the life"





We can experience Christ's power to restore life in our lives even now! He can turn your defeat into triumph.



# 6. "I am the way, the truth, and the life"



#### 7. "I am the true vine"



JOHN 15:1-8 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does not bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. NO branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers;

such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.

If you remain in me and my words remain you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."





Would you want this Jesus who He claims He is or the Jesus that the religious people thought He was, a criminal, a lunatic, an imposter?

WHO DO YOU NEED HIM TO BE?



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