

## **The Forgotten Jesus Podcast**

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**Title - Why We Need To Think Like Jesus**

**Description - You may find yourself wanting to learn more about Jesus. In this episode we begin the journey of understanding the Jewishness of Jesus that we may have forgotten about.**

Introducing the team

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Why another podcast?

One of the reasons we want to do this podcast is because we're asked frequently for more. A deeper exegetical dive into the scriptures.

What better way to go deeper than to learn more about Jesus.

We're going to focus on the life of Jesus, primarily sticking to the gospels, but there's a lot of work that you have to do before you get there.

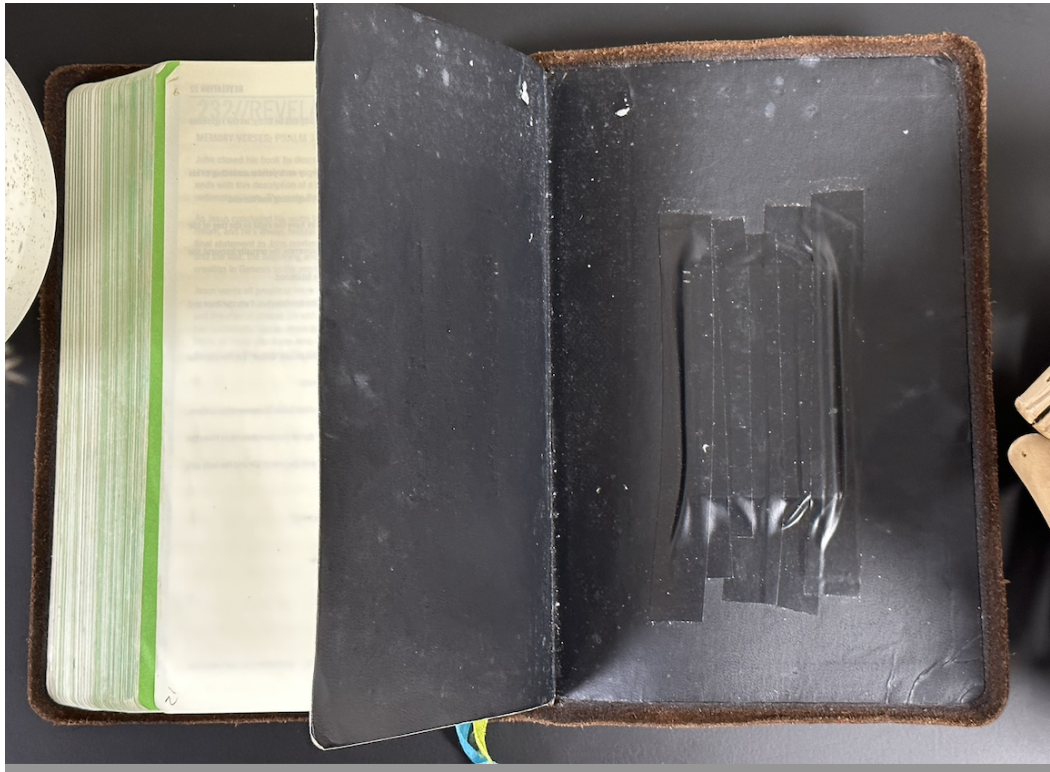
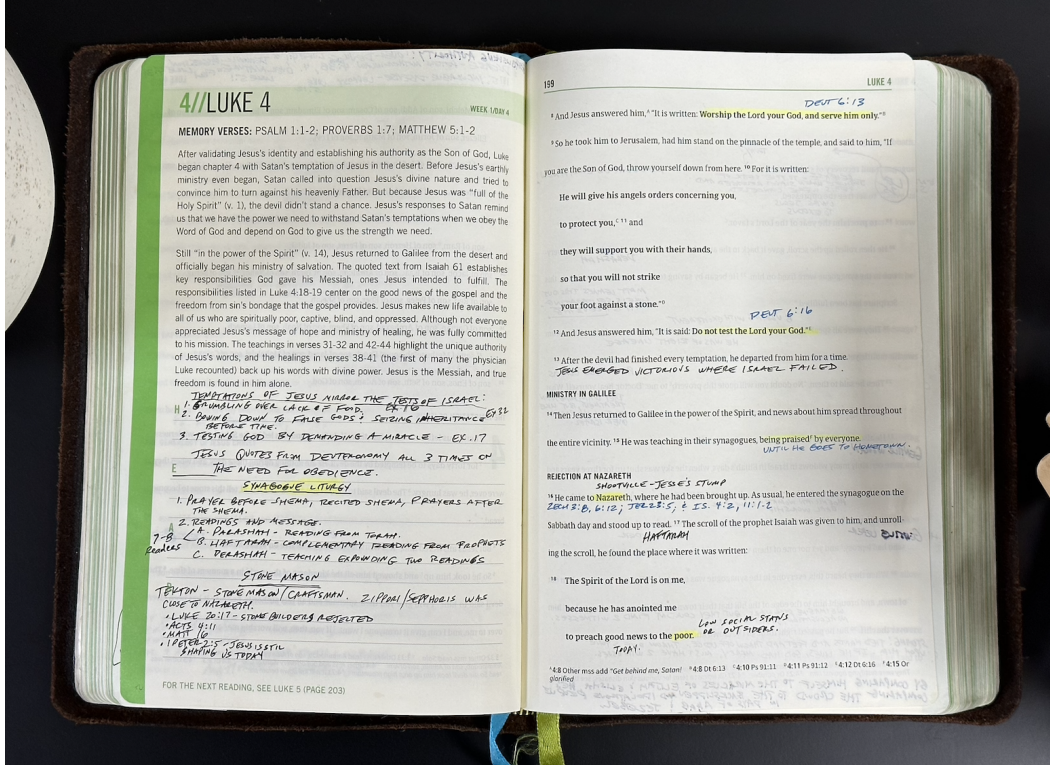
You've got to understand the character of God, the covenants in the Old Testament, how to think like a Hebrew, and the history of Israel.

We tend to forget that Jesus was a middle eastern, dark skinned, Jewish rabbi.

He followed the Torah, he kept the sabbath, he ate kosher.

He was a Jewish man, in a Jewish culture, living in a Jewish world.

We have to know where we came from to know where we are going.



(Pastor Robby's Bible Pic)

Remember, Rabbi's always taught in pictures and images.

The Hebrew language is very emotive. Emotive creates emotion. Hebrew has 8,000 words in it, modern English has over 100,000.

Hebrew is packed with meaning.

At the miracles of the feeding of the 5,000 and of the 4,000 the leftover baskets had meaning.

*Mark 8:14-21 (CSB)*

*<sup>14</sup> The disciples had forgotten to take bread and had only one loaf with them in the boat. <sup>15</sup> Then he gave them strict orders: "Watch out! Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod." <sup>16</sup> They were discussing among themselves that they did not have any bread. <sup>17</sup> Aware of this, he said to them, "Why are you discussing the fact you have no bread? Don't you understand or comprehend? Do you have hardened hearts? <sup>18</sup> Do you have eyes and not see; do you have ears and not hear? And do you not remember? <sup>19</sup> When I broke the five loaves for the five thousand, how many baskets full of leftovers did you collect?" "Twelve," they told him. <sup>20</sup> "When I broke the seven loaves for the four thousand, how many baskets full of pieces did you collect?" "Seven," they said. <sup>21</sup> And he said to them, "Don't you understand yet?"*

Not only are the words of the bible inspired, but the encounters that Jesus has are also inspired. None of the people Jesus meets, the rich young ruler, the Samaritan woman at the well, the blind man, etc. were accidental encounters. They were sovereignly / providentially arranged by God.

Another example, Mark 1 – when Jesus calls the first disciples, what are they doing? They're casting and mending their nets, because they're fishermen.

*Mark 1:16-20 (CSB)*

*<sup>16</sup> As he passed alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew, Simon's brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup> "Follow me," Jesus told them, "and I will make you fish for people." <sup>18</sup> Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup> Going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat putting their nets in order. <sup>20</sup> Immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.*

Jesus meets the disciples and they're doing what they will be doing for the rest of their lives. Instead of fish, they will be fishing for people.

The Bible is infallible, meaning the Bible will not lead you astray. Martin Luther thought that everyone should be able to hear and read the Bible in their own language. (Priesthood of all

believers). John Calvin who came later wrote "The Institutes," a series of books on theology, on Christian life and doctrine.

William Tyndale said that every plowboy should be able to pick up the Bible and read it.

The whole point of all of this is to grow in our love and knowledge of Jesus.

John 14:21 (CSB)

The one who has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. And the one who loves me will be loved by my Father. I also will love him and will reveal myself to him.

The more you love him, the more you obey him. The more you obey him, the more He reveals of himself, and the more we know, the more we love him.