



## Part 1 – Jesus

December 3, 2017

**ICEBREAKER:** What does your name mean? (Google search if you do not know) Is the meaning of your name fitting for you as a person? Why or why not?

### MAIN POINT:

**Be grateful for what Jesus has saved  
you from  
Be grateful for what Jesus has saved  
you for**

### EXPLORATION:

1. There are over 948 names and Titles for God in the Bible. Look up “948 Names and Titles for God” at [Christiananswers.net](http://Christiananswers.net). What are some of your favorite names for God and why?

2. (If you have loads of time) read Matthew 1:1-17. Who are the five women mentioned in the genealogy of Matthew? What is significant about their character? (Context Clues- Tamar- rape victim, Rahab- prostitute, Ruth- widow who laid at Boaz feet, Bathsheba- adulterer, Mary- pregnant, unwed, teen mom. What could Matthew be trying to tell us through this unlikely genealogy? )

3. Read Matthew 1:18-25. What observations can you make about the birth of Christ? Are there any things that stand out as unusual in this passage?

(Context Clues- A virgin is having a baby, The Holy Spirit is involved in conception, Joseph is in a dilemma, in the midst of this confusion the baby's name is “salvation”.)

4. Read I Timothy 2:3-6. What does this passage have to do with the Christmas story? How is Jesus uniquely qualified to be the Savior of the world? (Context Clues- God desires all men to be saved, There is only one qualified mediator, Jesus is uniquely Man and God)

### APPLICATION:

1. In light of Matthew 1:21 why is the simple name ‘Jesus’ such an important name? Why is Jesus uniquely able to save?

2. Read Matthew 1:21 again. It says that Jesus came to save His people from their sins? Who are His people according to this study especially the I Timothy 2:3-6 passage?

- 3. Matthew 1:21 says that Jesus will forgive His people from their sins. Take a moment to think of what God has saved you from. Take a moment to think about what God has saved you for. Have members share their thoughts.**
  
- 4. Take prayer request and pray for the members of the group. Pray that RPCC will be grateful for what Jesus has saved them from and what He has saved them for!**