

## What Does it Mean to Be a Christian, Part 2

### *How does God restore a broken relationship*

#### Last Week:

1. We are all a part of the world's \_\_\_\_\_
2. Our selfishness and desire is at the expense of our relationship with...  
...\_\_\_\_\_
3. Once a relationship is broken...  
...the power of the relationship shifts to the person who has been \_\_\_\_\_
4. For us to enjoy a relationship with God, God must offer us forgiveness and restoration

#### Why do we need Jesus?

1. Jesus was not only a nice man.
  - a) He is God's \_\_\_\_\_ (John 1).
    - In the book of Genesis, when God created, God \_\_\_\_\_ a word
    - A \_\_\_\_\_ creates by speaking a word
    - When God speaks, \_\_\_\_\_ is ordered
    - Jesus is God's power of order out of the chaos
  - b) He is \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Jesus is God's \_\_\_\_\_ that we can be forgiven and restored to a proper relationship with God.
    - This forgiveness was offered to us when Jesus willingly gave his life on a \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Our sin killed Jesus, his \_\_\_\_\_ forgave us. (Romans 5:8)
2. Other religions teach that by being a \_\_\_\_\_

person and going to worship, we can please God.  
What are other religions?

3. Christians believe that being good will not get us  
into heaven.
  - We will always fall \_\_\_\_\_.
  - There are many varieties of Christians, but all believe that it is Jesus who is the \_\_\_\_\_ of restored relationship with God.
  - List other types of Christians:

The Good news is that God does forgive us and restore us to relationship with each other. **St. Paul writes:**

*But now, apart from law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed, and is attested by the law and the prophets, the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to show his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to prove at the present time that he himself is righteous and that he justifies the one who has faith in Jesus. (Romans 3:21-26)*

**Next Week:** *How do I get into this right relationship with God?*