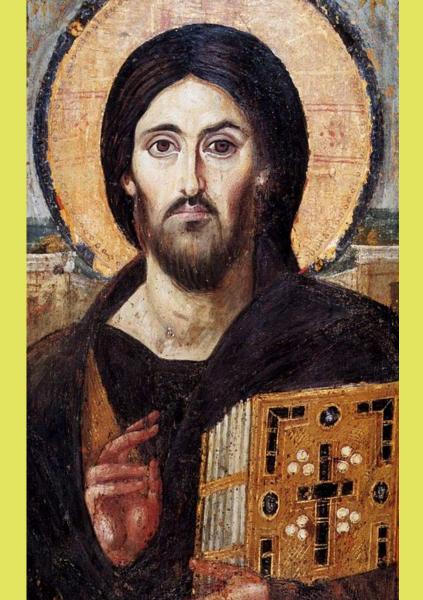
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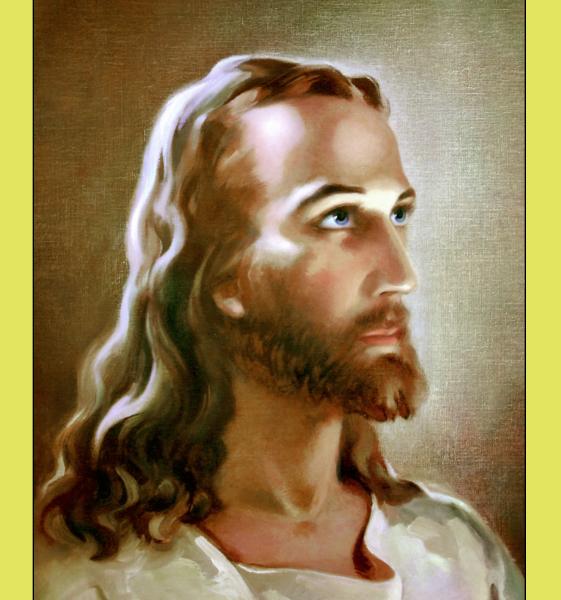
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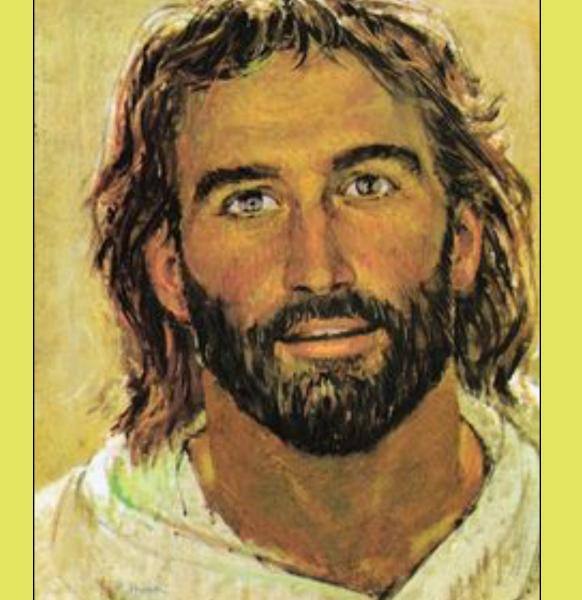
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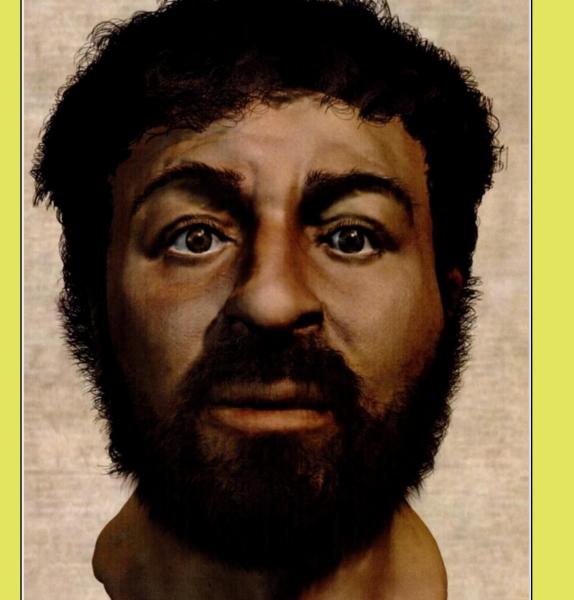
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1920's serene and kind man with blue eyes and nice hair (a little long) Jesus.



1970's nice guy, outside linebacker, stud white guy Jesus.



2001 rendition by a forensic anthropologist from England and a historian from the United States based on typical skull remnants from 1st century Israel and art from the first three centuries

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Who God is determines the essential ingredients that defines our identity because His presence changes everything.

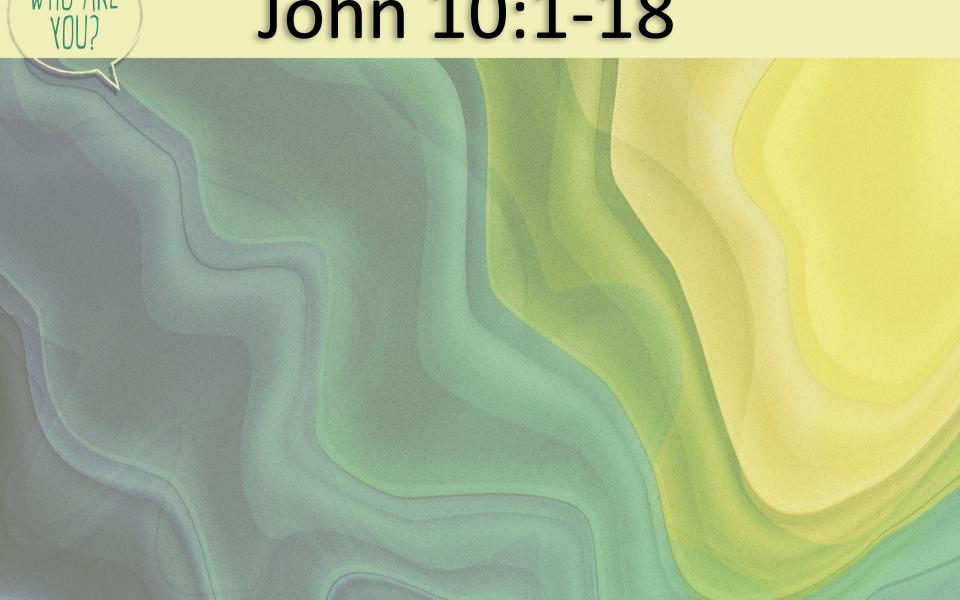


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question:

Is He demonic, insane, ridiculous?

or

Is He one who lays down His life for you?

question:

When and where do you need to trust the **Good Shepherd** who lays down His life for you?

Psaim 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He restores my soul.

 He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

PSaim 25 (continued)

- You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
- 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.