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“THE GREATEST STORY” *What’s His Story?*

- *Good News and Bad News*
- *Top Stories ever Written*
- *The Greatest Story Ever Told*

Four Major Points/Characters in the Greatest Story...

1. _____

- a. *God is* _____ 1 JOHN 4:16b
 - b. *God is* _____ 1 PETER 1:15, 16
 - c. *God is* _____ 2 THESSALONIANS 1:6
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2. _____

- a. *We are* _____ ROMANS 3:23
- b. *We deserve* _____ ROMANS 6:23
- c. *We are* _____ ISAIAH 64:6

The Difference between Religion and Christianity → _____ vs. _____

3. _____

- a. *Christ is* _____ *who became Man* JOHN 1:1, 14
 - b. *Christ* _____ *as Our Substitute* 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21
 - c. *Christ offers Salvation as a* _____ EPHESIANS 1:7; 2:8, 9
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4. _____

- a. *We must* _____ JOHN 1:12
 - b. *We must* _____ ROMANS 10, 9
 - c. *We become* _____ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17
- *The Bridge*
 - *“Masterpiece”* EPHESIANS 2:10

*“Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance
 to work hard at work worth doing.” ~THEODORE ROOSEVELT*

LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES
“THE GREATEST STORY”
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GETTING STARTED *“In your opinion...”*

1. What were some helpful insights or observations from this week’s message?
2. What is so simple about God’s Story and at the same time, what is so difficult?
3. Can you remember the first time you understood God’s story? How long did it take you to believe it for yourself?
4. How is Christianity a religion, and how is not a religion? What’s the difference? What one word would you use to describe Christianity? Explain.

GOING DEEPER *“According to the Bible...”*

Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the indicated passages....

- **Read Isaiah 6:1-13 – How does this passage describe the holiness of God? What is Isaiah’s response in verse 5? What did God want from Isaiah? Why did Isaiah ask, “How Long?”**

Read the following passages. How does God show that He is a God of love?

- **Matthew 5:43-48**
- **Acts 14:14-17**
- **Romans 5:6-8**
- **John 3:16**
- **2 Peter 3:8, 9**

- **Read Ephesians 3:14-19. What is Paul’s prayer request for the saints? How can we best grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of God?**
- **Read 1 John 4:7-18. What are some indicators that we have grasped and understood the love of God?**
- **Read 2 Thessalonians 1:5-10. How does this passage demonstrate the justice of God? When will God’s justice ultimately be shown?**