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- *Great teachers set high expectations for all students*
- *Great teachers form strong relationships with their students*
- *Great teachers are experts in their subject matter*
- *Great teachers teach in ways that are memorable*



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‘But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.’

John 14:26



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THE TEACHING JESUS

The Teaching Jesus

- How does the Authentic Jesus resemble other great teachers?

A close-up photograph of a textured, light-colored wall. In the bottom right corner, there is a mural. The mural depicts a crown of thorns, with the thorns rendered in black and yellow. Below the crown, a portion of a face is visible, with white outlines for the eyes and mouth. The text 'THE AUTHENTIC JESUS' is overlaid on the mural in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

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'For I tell you that unless your righteousness surpasses that of the Pharisees and the teachers of the law, you will certainly not enter the kingdom of heaven.'

Matthew 5:20

'But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.'

Matthew 5:28

'But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you,'

Matthew 5:44



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‘So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.’

Matthew 7:12



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The Teaching Jesus

- How does the Authentic Jesus resemble other great teachers?
- **How does the Authentic Jesus differ from other great teachers?**

A close-up photograph of a textured, light-colored wall. In the bottom right corner, there is a dark, circular object with a crown of thorns, resembling a religious artifact. The text "THE AUTHENTIC JESUS" is overlaid on this object in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

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‘The Jews there were amazed and asked, “How did this man get such learning without having been taught?”’

John 7:15



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The Teaching Jesus

- How does the Authentic Jesus resemble other great teachers?
- How does the Authentic Jesus' teaching differ from other great teachers?
- (i) It is **TRULY WISE**

Wisdom = Skill in Living



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“Haven’t you read,” he replied, “that at the beginning the Creator ‘made them male and female,’ and said, ‘For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh’? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.”

Matthew 19:4-6



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The Teaching Jesus

- If you think Jesus' teaching is wise, do you listen to Him?



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‘The Jews there were amazed and asked, “How did this man get such learning without having been taught?” Jesus answered, “My teaching is not my own. It comes from the one who sent me. Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.”’

John 7:15-17



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 - (i) It is **TRULY WISE**
 - (ii) It is **AUTHORITATIVE**



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***‘Jesus answered, “My teaching is not my own. It comes from the one who sent me”’
John 7:16.***

A close-up photograph of a crown of thorns. The thorns are dark and sharp, with some yellowish-green highlights. A skull-like face is painted on the right side of the crown, with hollow eyes and a dark, open mouth. The background is a light, textured surface.

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‘The reality of our claim to be followers of Jesus is called into question precisely at those points in which we substitute our own opinions for the teaching of Jesus.’

A close-up photograph of a crown of thorns, likely a religious artifact. The thorns are dark and sharp, set against a light, textured background. In the lower right corner, there is a dark, circular shape that resembles a skull or a face, possibly a detail from a religious painting or sculpture.

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The Teaching Jesus

- If you think Jesus' teaching is wise, do you listen to Him?
- If you think Jesus' teaching is authoritative do you obey Him?

A close-up photograph of a wall with a mural. The mural depicts a crown of thorns in shades of green and black, with a face partially visible in the lower right corner. The text 'THE AUTHENTIC JESUS' is overlaid on the bottom right of the image.

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“Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own.”

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- 1. We don't do it**
- 2. We can't do it**
- 3. We don't want to do it**
- 4. We want others to believe we do it**

A mural of a face with a crown of thorns is painted on a textured, light-colored wall. The face is rendered in a dark, almost black color with white outlines for the eyes and mouth. The crown of thorns is depicted with sharp, dark spikes. The text 'THE AUTHENTIC JESUS' is written in white, bold, capital letters in the bottom right corner of the image.

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The Teaching Jesus

- How does the Authentic Jesus resemble other great teachers?
- **How does the Authentic Jesus' Teaching differ from other great teachers?**
 - **(i) It is TRULY WISE**
 - **(ii) It is AUTHORITATIVE**
 - **(iii) It is SELF-FOCUSSED**



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‘Whoever speaks on their own does so to gain personal glory, but he who seeks the glory of the one who sent him is a man of truth; there is nothing false about him.’

John 7:18

A close-up photograph of a crown of thorns. The thorns are dark and sharp, with some yellowish-green highlights. A skull-like face is painted on the crown, with hollow eye sockets and a dark, open mouth. The background is a light, textured surface.

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“Jesus’ uniqueness was completely unselfconscious. He didn’t need to draw attention to it. It was a fact so obvious to him that it didn’t need emphasizing. It was implied rather than asserted.

- *Everyone else was a lost sheep; he had come as a Good Shepherd to seek and to serve them.*
- *Everyone else was sick with a disease of sin; he was the doctor come to heal them.....*

A close-up photograph of a crown of thorns, likely a religious artifact. The thorns are dark and sharp, set against a light-colored, textured background. In the lower right corner, there is a faint, white outline of a human skull, which is partially obscured by the thorns and the text.

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- *Everyone else was trapped in the darkness of sin and ignorance; he was the light of the world.*
- *Everyone else was a sinner; he was born to be their Saviour and would die for the forgiveness of their sins.*
- *Everyone else was hungry; he was the bread of life.*
- *Everyone else was dead in wrongdoing and sin; he could be their life now and their resurrection in the future.”*

John Stott



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- *In thought, he put himself first; in deed last.*
- *He exhibited both the greatest self-esteem and the greatest self-sacrifice.*
- *He knew himself to be Lord of all, but he became the servant.*
- *He said that he would come one day to judge the world, but he washed the feet of his friends.”*

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The Teaching Jesus

- If you think Jesus' teaching is wise, do you listen to Him?
- If you think Jesus' teaching is authoritative do you obey Him?
- If you think Jesus' teaching is self-focused, do you come to Him?



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***“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.”***

Matthew 11:28

***“You study the Scriptures diligently because you think
that in them you have eternal life. These are the very
Scriptures that testify about me,
yet you refuse to come to me to have life.”***

John 5:39-40

***“Then Jesus declared, “I am the bread
of life. Whoever comes to me will
never go hungry, and whoever
believes in me will never be thirsty.”***

John 6:35



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‘Come to me...’

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