

# Jesus' humanity – one of us

## **Controversies/heresies in the early church**

Jesus is a created being

Jesus was God...with only the appearance of a man

God is one person who appears in different forms/modes

God descended on the human Jesus at baptism..

And left before his death

Jesus is two persons – son of God and son of man.

Jesus humanity was absorbed by his deity

Jesus had a human body, but a divine mind and will

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Chalcedon Ad 51

*Vere homo, vere Deus*  
**Truly man and truly God**

human  
nature

2 natures in one person  
JESUS

divine  
nature

without confusion

without change

without division

without separation

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## **Jesus – flesh and blood**

walked and talked... "went around teaching from  
village to village" Mark 6:7

was hungry and ate... "Jesus was having dinner" Mark 2:15

slept and rested ... "in the stern sleeping on a cushion" Mark 4:38

bled and died... "with a loud cry Jesus  
breathed his last" Mark 15:37

The word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.

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## **Jesus engaged in spiritual disciplines**

Jesus prayed

Jesus went to Synagogue

Jesus studied the word

Jesus was baptised

It is our human calling is to seek after God

To be authentically human is to engage in worship of our creator

We were therefore buried with him through baptism unto death...Rom 6:4

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## Temptation



We have one who has been tempted in every way just as we are – yet was **without sin**. *Heb. 4:15*

To obey his Father ...because he loved The Father

To complete his saving mission...because he loved mankind

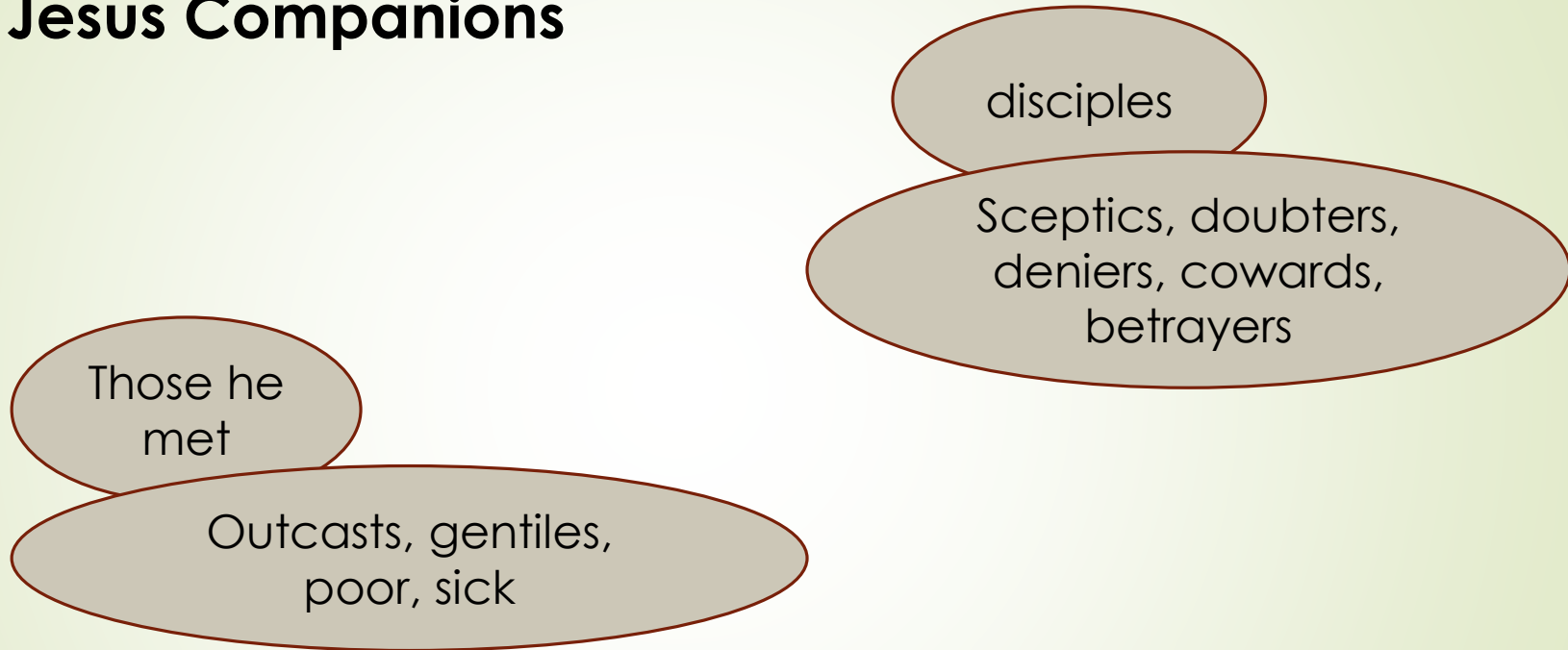


Through the disobedience of one man many were made sinners...through the **obedience** of one man many will be made righteous. *Rom 5:19*

**His victory = our victory** **His obedience = our obedience** **His righteousness = ?**

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## Jesus Companions



Jesus talked with them, he ate with them, he touched them,  
he healed them, he loved them.

Followers wanted...no experience, no qualifications required

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## **Jesus shared our emotional experience**

Anger and frustration

Withdrew from crowds

Compassion

Family issues

Loved children

Sorrow and grief

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Jesus challenged the political and religious elites.

Jesus came to the outcasts, the outsiders, the poor, the needy

The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many  
*Mark 10:45*

Jesus came as a real man and preached to the common people

...Jesus was one of us.