



MESSAGE: Christmas—Is it just a story? TEACHER: Gabe Hollis DATE: 12/10/2023



QUESTION #1

In this message, what resonated with you?

QUESTION #2

Was there anything you wrestled with?

QUESTION #3

There are lots of myths around the Christmas Season from many different cultures and traditions. What are some of the ones you've heard about? Can you see how the Christmas Story could be considered pretty "out there" as well?

QUESTION #4

Gabe used the example of the fictional ship, The Titan, and the real ship, Titanic, to illustrate how a similar event can precede another without discrediting the existence of the second. How does this relate to the Bible and claims about Jesus?

QUESTION #5

A New Testament scholar named Bart Ehrman is atheist but has written extensively about the fact that there is sufficient evidence that Jesus existed. It's not contested among scholars that Jesus existed. Why is the idea that Jesus is a myth based on other myths not a strong argument?

QUESTION #6

Read James 4:8 below.

Sincerely seeking God will not disappoint. Have you experienced the truth of this in your own life? What are some ways you can come near to God?

James 4:8a, NIV

Come near to God and he will come near to you.

QUESTION #7

What does Christmas say about you, if Jesus really left heaven and came to earth as a baby?