

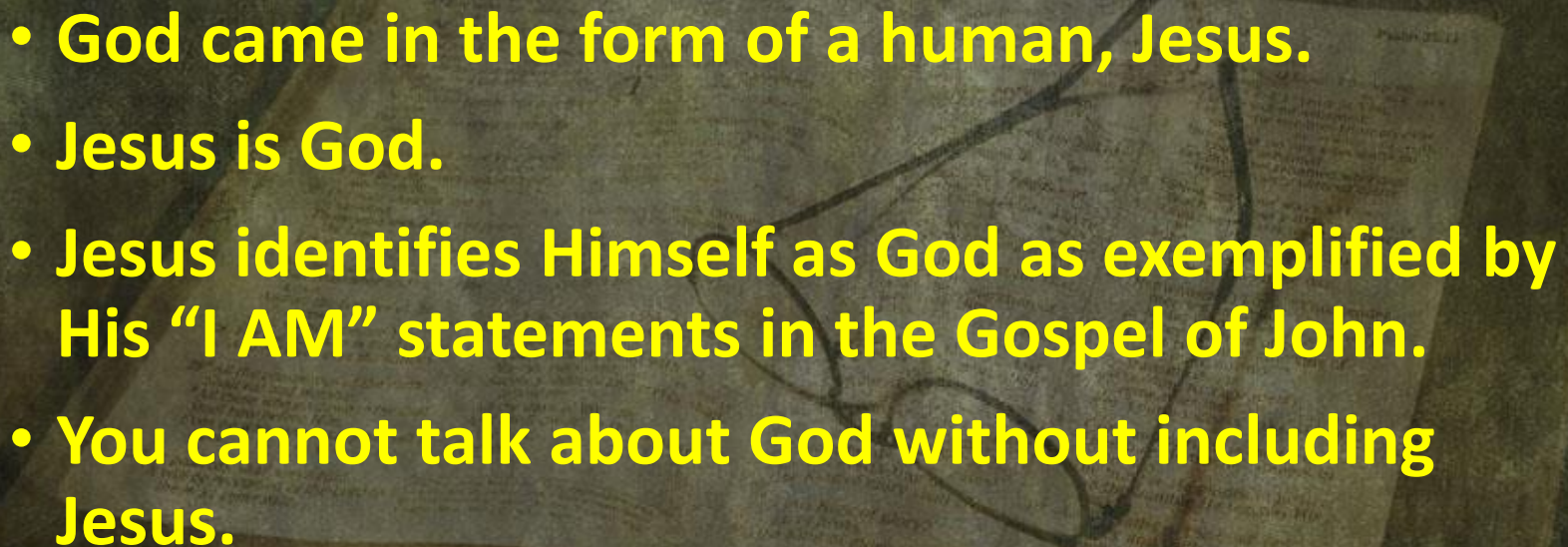
We Believe in God the Son, Jesus
Christ

Colossians 1:13-20

The Trinity

- Jesus is the part of the Godhead that we call the “Trinity.”
- We believe in the Triune God as He revealed Himself to us as God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
- The word “Trinity” does not appear anywhere in the Bible.
- God is one, and has revealed Himself in three forms or persons, Who all exist simultaneously and in unity.
- If you want to know what God is like, look no further than Jesus.

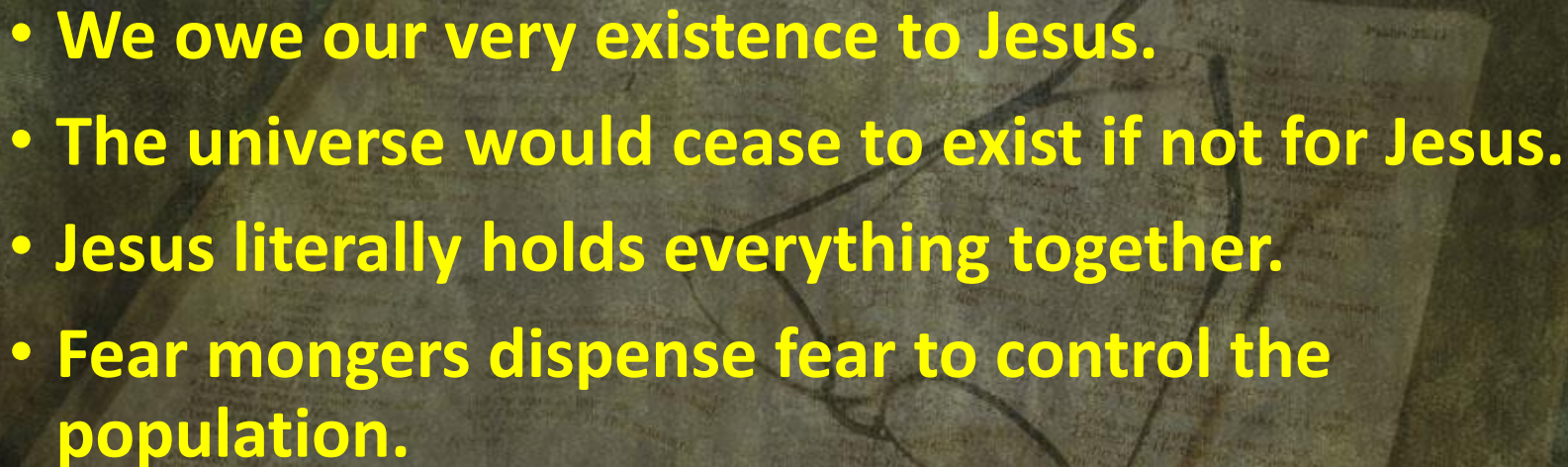
Jesus is God

- God came in the form of a human, Jesus.
 - Jesus is God.
 - Jesus identifies Himself as God as exemplified by His “I AM” statements in the Gospel of John.
 - You cannot talk about God without including Jesus.
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Jesus Is the Firstborn

- Jesus is the firstborn of all creation.
- Jesus is not a created being; He is eternal God.
- “Firstborn” in Biblical times meant rank and placement; Jesus is before everything.
- Jesus, Who is the very image of God, is the agent of all creation.
- All that there is or ever has been, was created by Jesus.

Jesus Holds Everything Together.

- We owe our very existence to Jesus.
 - The universe would cease to exist if not for Jesus.
 - Jesus literally holds everything together.
 - Fear mongers dispense fear to control the population.
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Conclusion

- Jesus established the church.
- Jesus was the first to be raised, never to die again.
- All of what God is resides in Jesus.
- We are God's creation, made by and for Jesus.
- Jesus made us, and He is responsible for our rescue.
- The world wants to save itself; or worse, they do not believe they need saving.