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JESUS

Week 2

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Philippians 3:10a AMPC

<sup>10</sup> [For my determined purpose is] that I may know Him [that I may progressively become more deeply and intimately acquainted with Him, perceiving and recognizing and understanding the wonders of His Person more strongly and more clearly],

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I would like to introduce you to the  
**playful, humorous** Jesus.

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- I. Seeing the humor and playfulness of Jesus through His creation.

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John 1:3 NLT

God created everything through him,  
and nothing was created except through him.

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II. Why is it difficult to recognize and appreciate the humor and playfulness of Jesus?

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- We carry the assumption that Jesus always spoke in a serious and somewhat sober tone, and that such a tone was devoid of humor.

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- English translations prevent us from seeing humorous word plays and puns.

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- Most of us lack a familiarity with the humor typologies that made ancient comedies laughable. If we do not know what is going on in the world of politics or popular culture, we will miss the jokes, innuendos and satire.

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- We don't see humor, laughing or at times even joy as **holy** and **sacred**.

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Job 8:21 NLT

He will once again fill your mouth with  
laughter and your lips with shouts of joy.

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Ecclesiastes 3:1, 4 NLT

For everything there is a season,  
a time for every activity under heaven.

A time to cry and a time to laugh.

A time to grieve and a time to dance.

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God created laughter and gave us a sense of humor. Do we really believe that Jesus came to take it away?

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III. **Finding** the playfulness and sense of humor of Jesus.

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Matthew 7:3-4 NIV

<sup>3</sup> “Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother’s eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? <sup>4</sup> How can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ when all the time there is a plank in your own eye?

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Matthew 23:23b-24 NLT

For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore the more important aspects of the

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law—justice, mercy, and faith. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things.<sup>24</sup> Blind guides! You strain your water so you won't accidentally swallow a gnat, but you swallow a camel!

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Mark 10:24b-25 NLT

“Dear children, it is very hard to enter the Kingdom of God. <sup>25</sup> In fact, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God!”

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John 1:47-50 NIV

<sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, “Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit.”

<sup>48</sup> “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, “I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you.”

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<sup>49</sup> Then Nathanael declared, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel.”

<sup>50</sup> Jesus said, “You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that.”

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Luke 24:13-19a, 28-32 NIV

<sup>13</sup> Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup> They were talking with each other about everything that had

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happened. <sup>15</sup> As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; <sup>16</sup> but they were kept from recognizing him.

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<sup>17</sup> He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?”

They stood still, their faces downcast. <sup>18</sup> One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

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<sup>19</sup> “What things?” he asked.

“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied.

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<sup>28</sup> As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

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<sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.

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