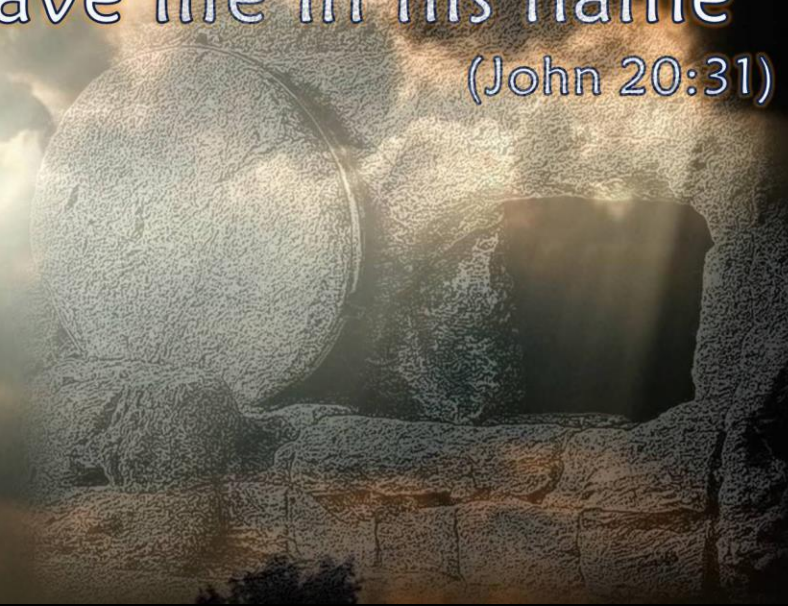
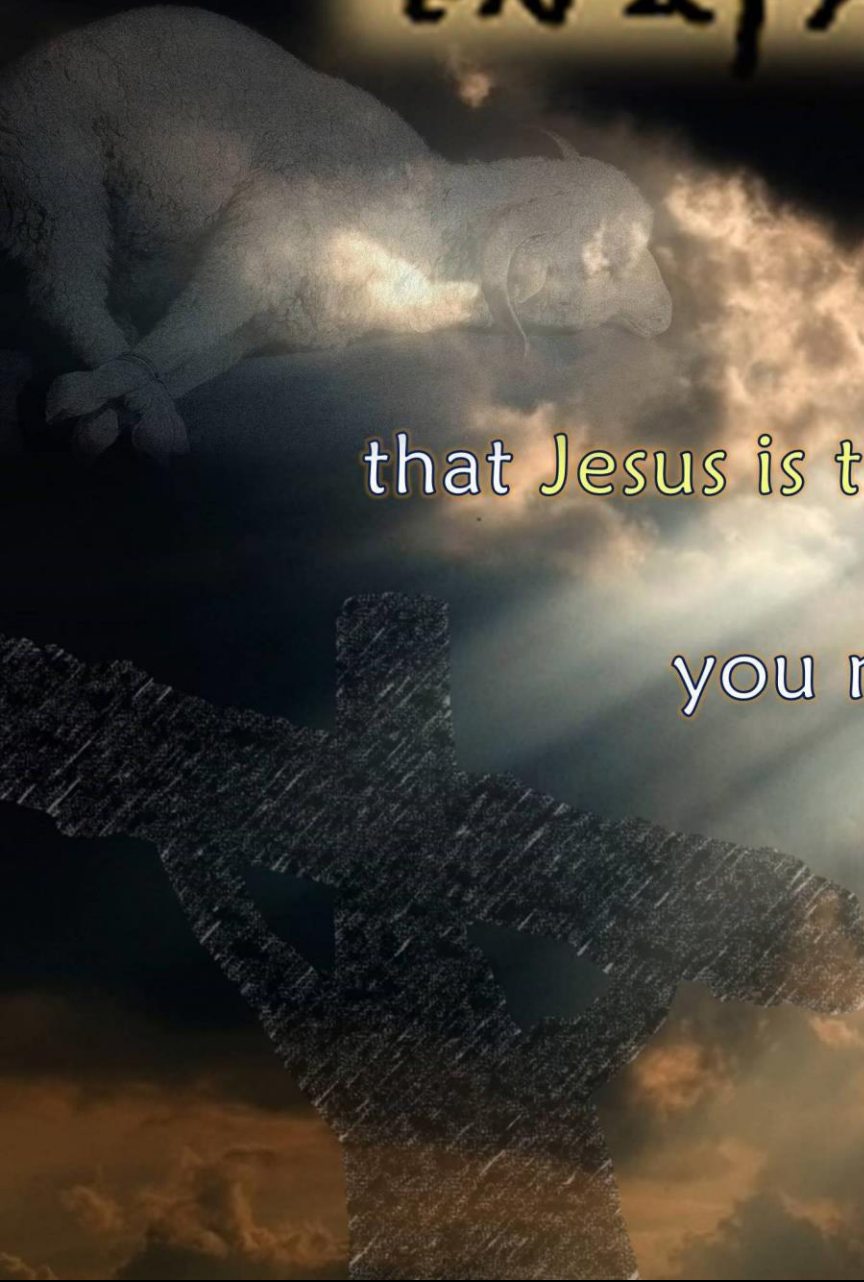


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“these are written
so that you may believe
that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God,
and that by believing
you may have life in his name”

(John 20:31)



**“Truly, truly, I say to you,
before Abraham was, I am”**

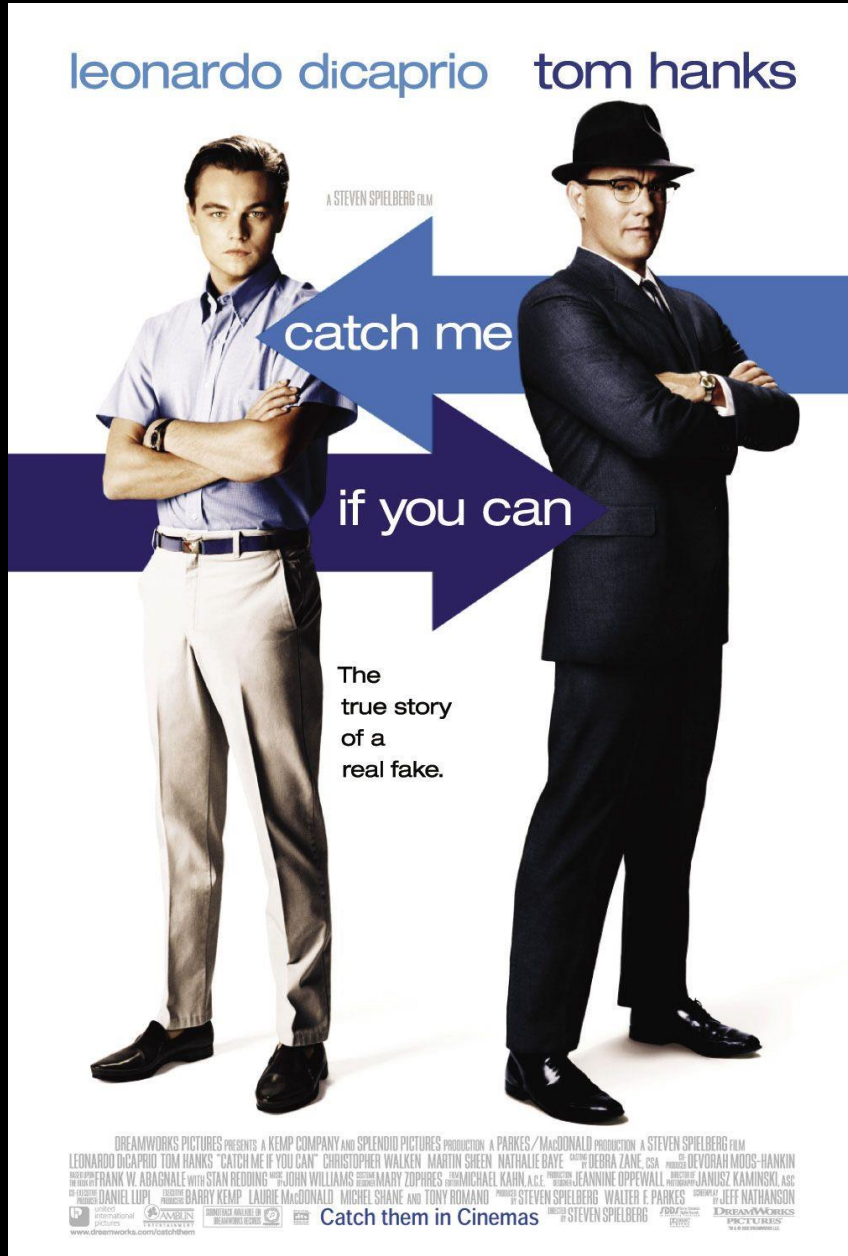
Readings:

Isaiah 43:3-25

John 8:19-30, 8:48-59

“Who do you make yourself out to be?” (v53)

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God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I AM has sent me to you.’” God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

(Exodus 3:14-15)

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“You are my witnesses,” declares the LORD, “and my servant whom I have chosen, that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor shall there be any after me. *(Isaiah 43:10)*

I, I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins. *(Isaiah 43:25)*

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¹⁴Jesus answered, “Even if I do bear witness about myself, my testimony is true, for I know where I came from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going.”

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²³He said to them, “You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.”

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⁴²Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me.”

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¹⁹They said to him therefore, “Where is your Father?” Jesus answered, “You know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also.”

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⁵¹Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death.”

⁵⁵But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word.

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⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am.”

⁵⁹ So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple.

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Go and gather the elders of Israel together and say to them, ‘The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying, “I have observed you and what has been done to you in Egypt, and I promise that I will bring you up out of the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey.”’ (Exodus 3:16-17)

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For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my eyes, and honoured, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. *(Isaiah 43:3-4)*

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And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (*John 1:14*)

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A guilty conscience?

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A painful life?

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Loving others?

Who do you say that I am?

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Do you see God in Jesus?