

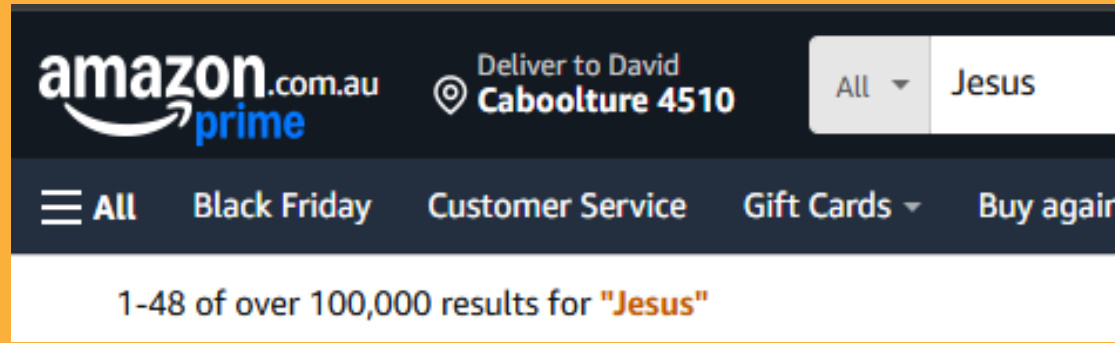
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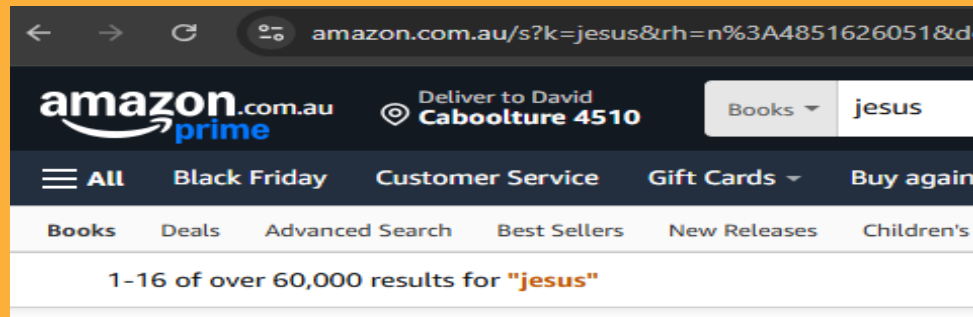
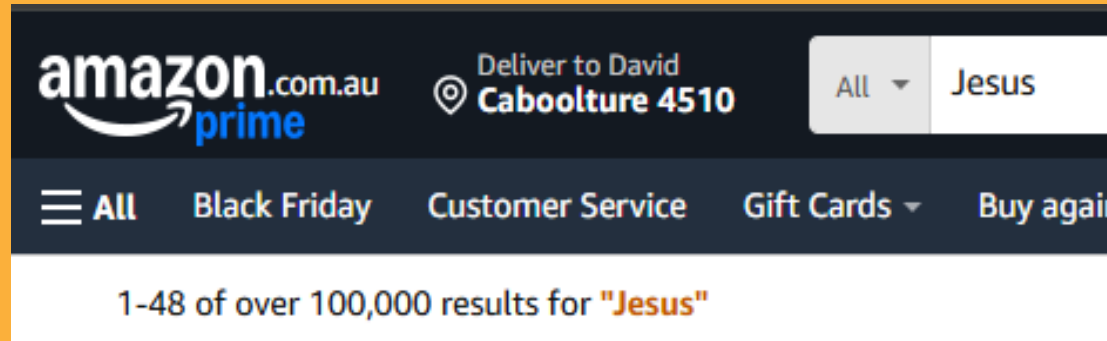
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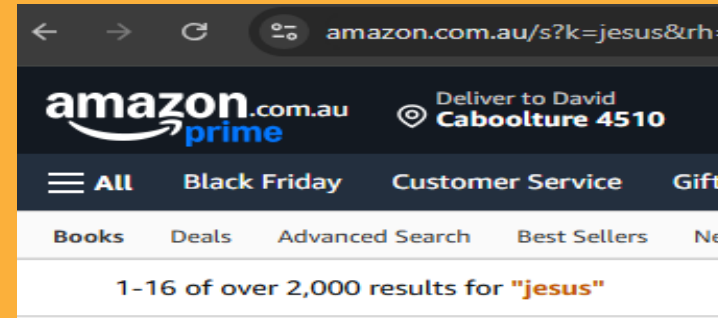
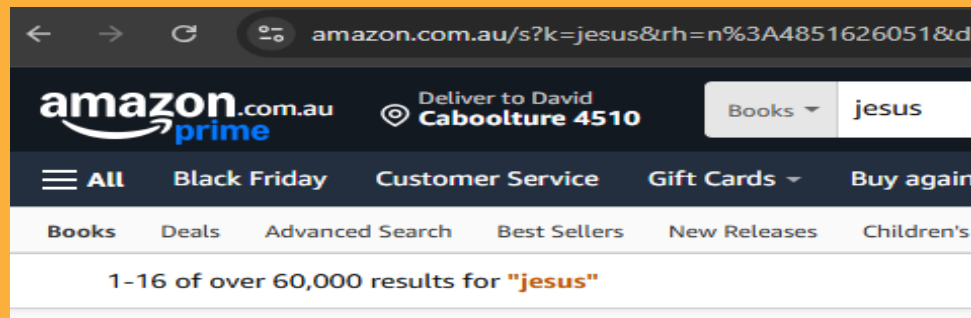
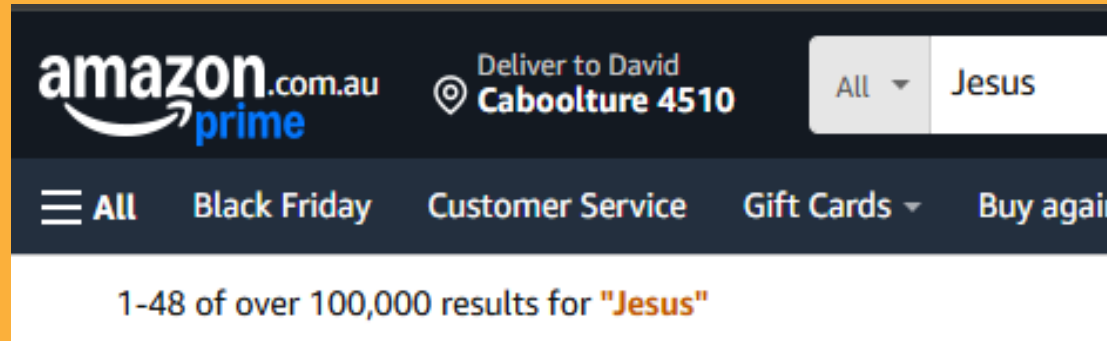
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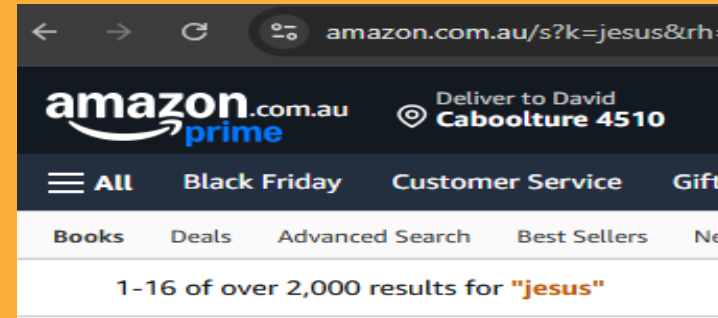
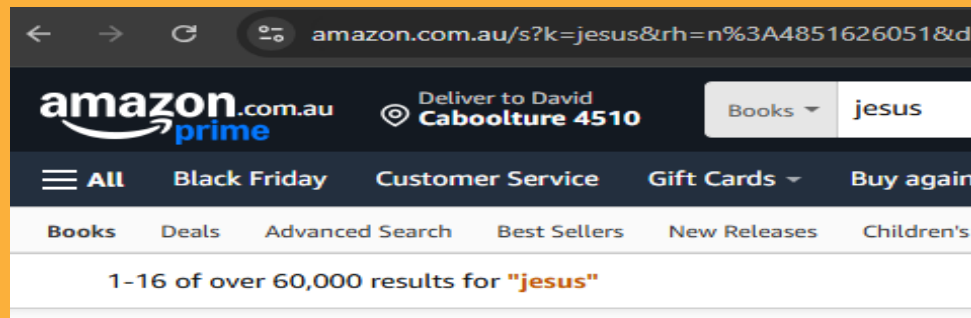
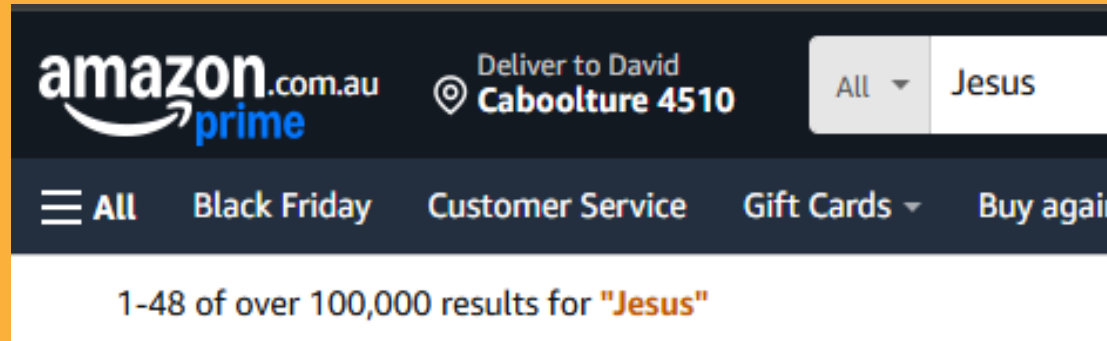
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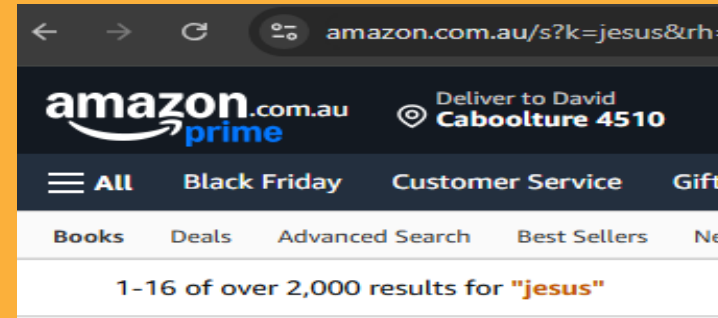
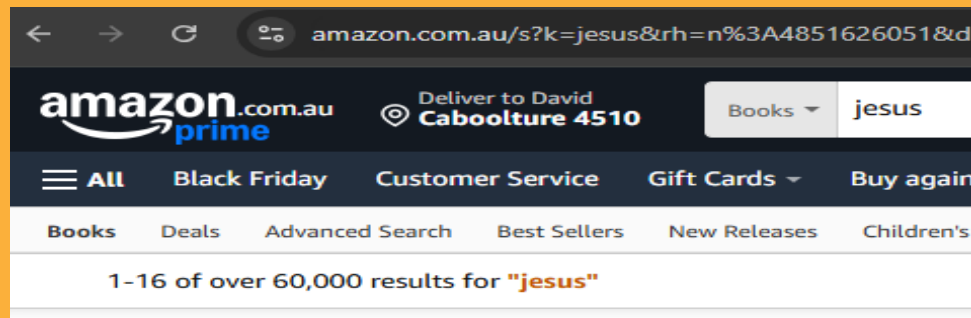
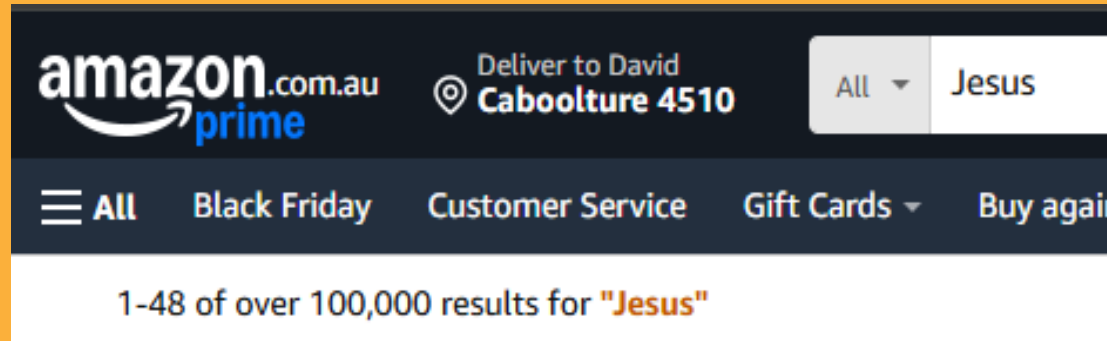
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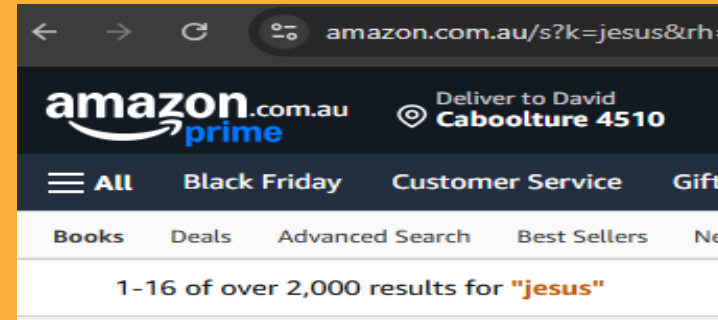
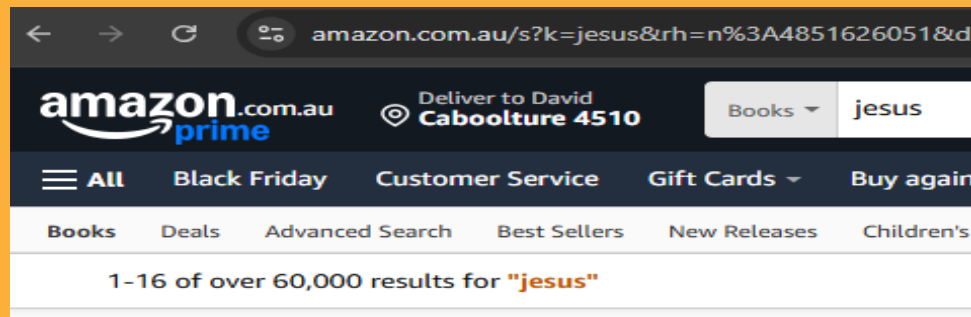
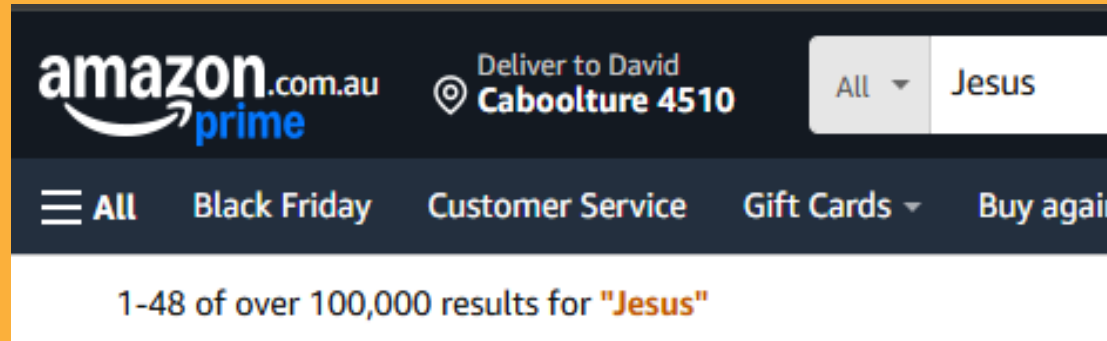
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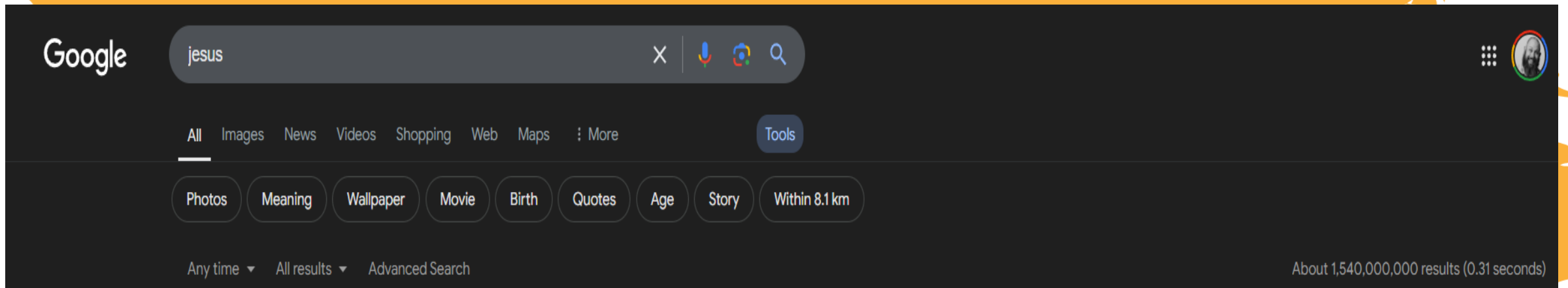
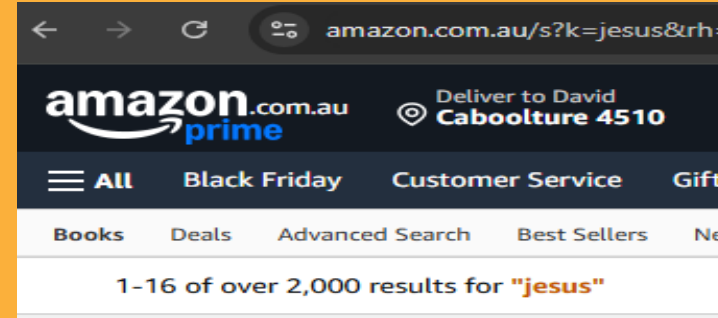
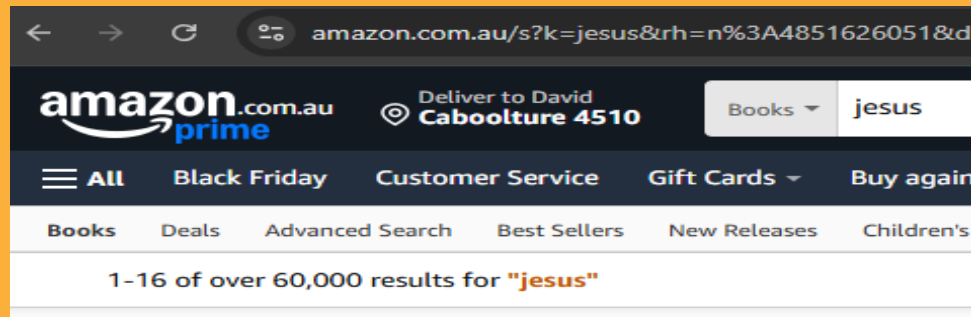
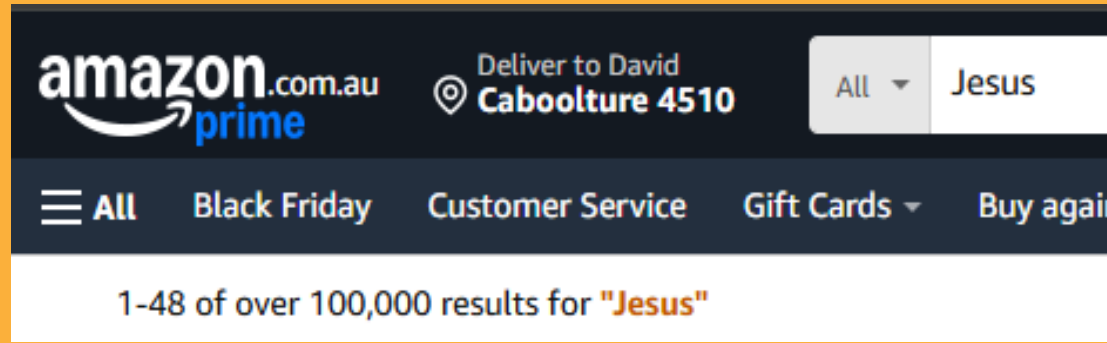
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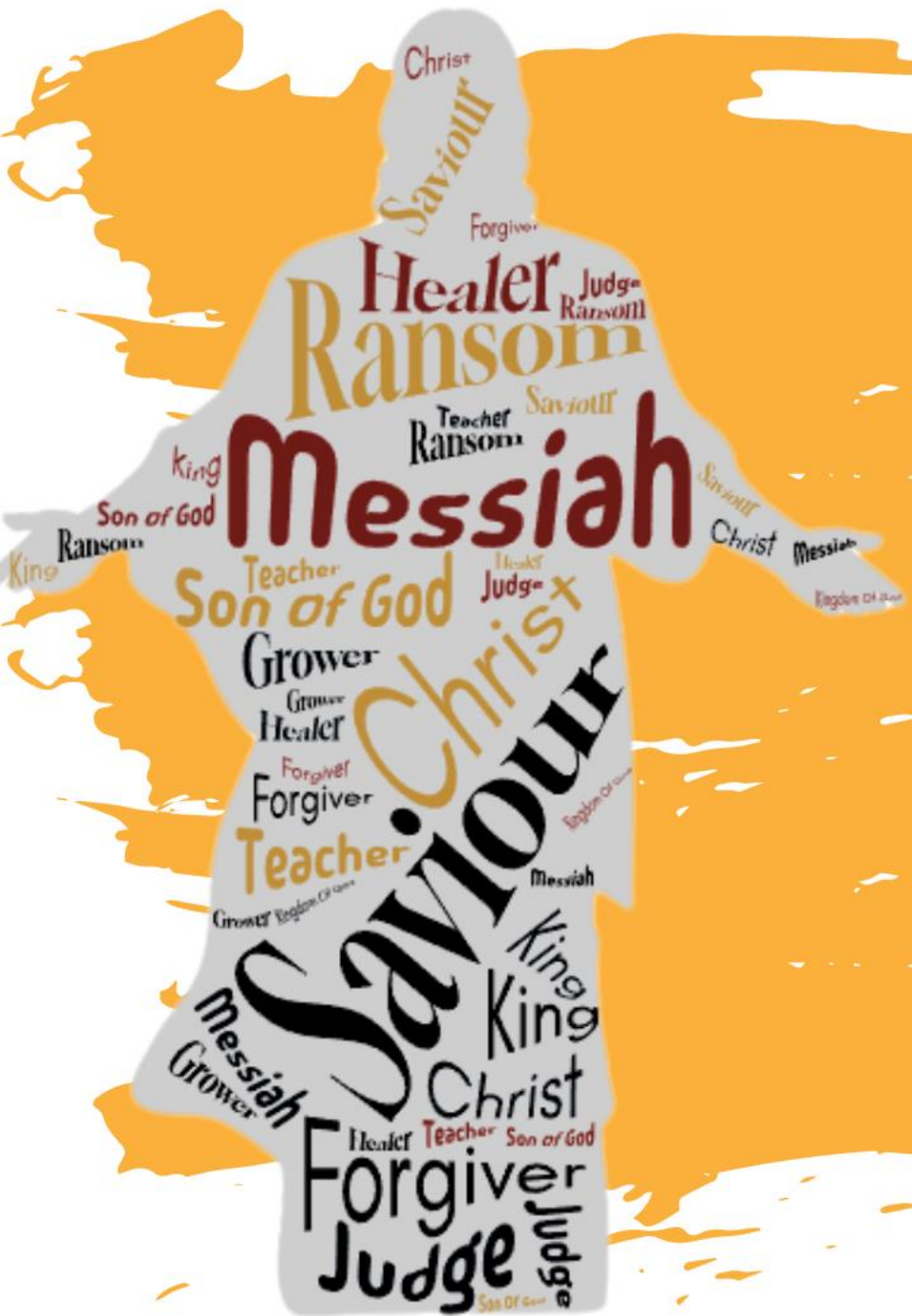


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Mark 8:27-29

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One Solitary Life (James Allen Francis)

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Jesus is MORE than one of the greatest people in the world. He is THE MESSIAH (Christ)!

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YOU = *Jesus. No one else.*

ARE = *Not might be, or could be, or maybe one day will be.*

THE = *Not one among many, but THE only one.*

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What is your response?

4. Our response?

Two options:

1. *Accept the truth (as Peter did), and **respond in worship & obedience***
2. *Ignore the evidence & **reject Jesus claims, continue to live life our own way.***

Ultimately, it's an all-or-nothing decision!

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Three Key Tasks of The Messiah

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FOLLOW JESUS

The Mobile App





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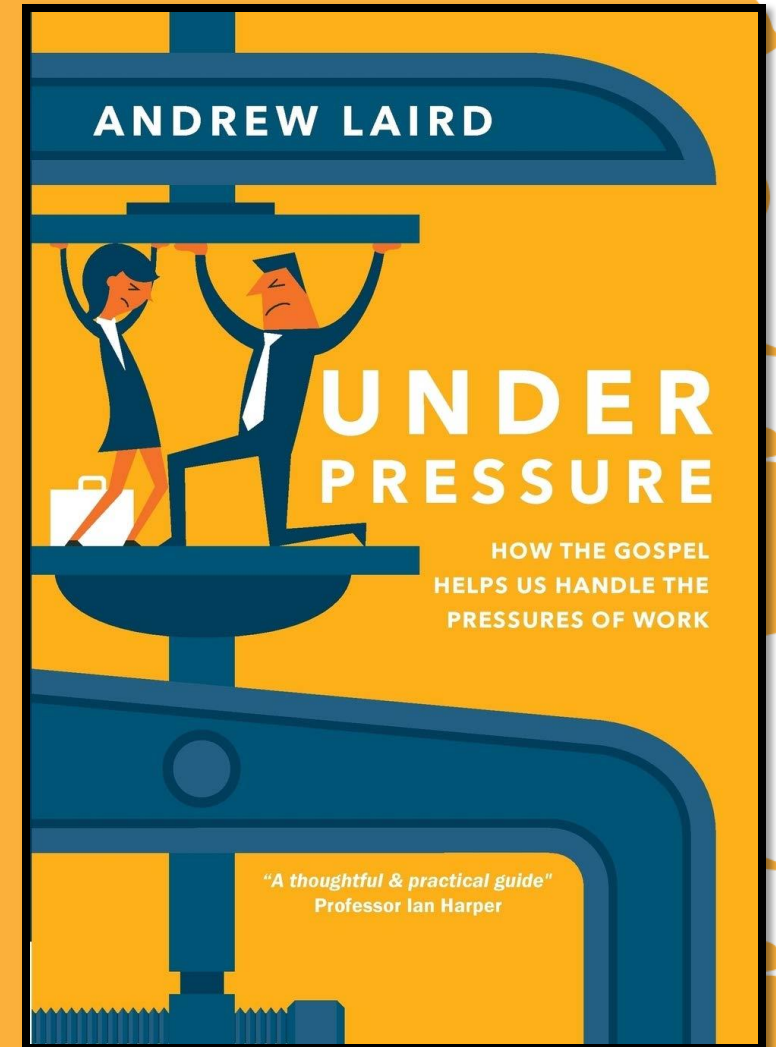
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When we accept Jesus true identity, our true identity is found in Him!

When we seek to gain the whole world and have it all we run the deadly and dangerous risk of obtaining what we want and yet losing what really matters. Fear of missing out will be the death of us.



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