

Who is Jesus? Jesus is:

". . . the decisive re-presentation of God, through whom God's own gift and demand become fully explicit, thereby authorizing our authentic understanding of ourselves" (76).

". . . the decisive re-presentation of God, in the sense of the one through whom the meaning of God for us is made fully explicit . . ." (77).

". . . not merely one authority among others, even the primary such authority; rather, he is the primal source of all authority made fully explicit, and hence not an authority at all in the same literal sense of the word . . ." (79).

". . . the primal source of all authority, on the same level as God, even if also distinct from God as this very source now become fully explicit" (81).

". . . the decisive re-presentation of God, in the sense of the one through whom the meaning of God for us, and hence the meaning of ultimate reality for us, becomes fully explicit" (82; cf. 87).

". . . infinitely more than any norm, because he is the primal source of all norms made fully explicit . . ." (102).

". . . one who is infinitely more than a mere man, on the same level with God, even if also distinct from God as the decisive re-presentation of God's gift and demand" (112).

". . . the gift and demand of God's love made fully explicit . . ." (120; cf. 123).

". . . the decisive revelation of God's love" (120).

". . . the event of God's liberating love" (124).

". . . the decisive re-presentation of ultimate reality, and hence the explicit primal source authorizing the authentic understanding of one's existence in relation to this ultimate reality" (129).

". . . the decisive re-presentation of ultimate reality and hence the explicit primal source of authentic self-understanding . . ." (130).

". . . the decisive re-presentation of the meaning of ultimate reality for us, and thus explicitly authorizes our authentic self-understanding as human beings" (149).

". . . the one through whom we are so re-presented with the gift and demand of ~~G~~od's love as to be explicitly confronted with the possibility of faith--the faith that is at once trust in the gift of God's love and loyalty to its demand" (158).