What Jesus wants man to think of Him mt 22:42
Claims He made for Himself - (in gospels)

Intro. 3 sayings about Jesus
1. He was either God or not a good man -
2. It would take a Jesus to forge a Jesus.
3. To imagine that ignorant peasants invented him is a greater miracle than to suppose that Jesus himself existed

Jesus wanted man to
1. Accept Him as the supreme teacher - Jesus was His own authority
"But I say unto you" -
2. Think of Him as the revealer of God the Father -
The giver of eternal life - Jno 17:3
To Know Christ is to know God -
He forgave sin - "Son, thy sins be forgiven thee" - (to paralytic)
" was the transformer of the lives of those who came to Him -
Their characters transformed -
[Sun lifts water from pool - leaves mud + impurity behi
[Charcoal + diamond - intense heat -
[Saul, the piece of charcoal, became diamond -
[Peter, " " " weak - " "
[S. H. Hadley - drunken bum of Water St. -
Fellowship with him produces his likeness in us -
3. Think of Him as the object of our faith -
He made atonement for our sins - He is our Saviour
" invites all men burdened with sin to come unto Him
" alone can reveal God to man -
4. Think of Him as the conqueror of sin and death -
1. born of the virgin Mary -
2. arose from the dead - He predicted his death + resurrection repeatedly
gloriously fulfilled -
5. Think of Him as able to demonstrate practically in the life of man his own claims to be saviour + Lord -
[Testimony of man who related how Jesus had come into his heart + changed his home life - children + wife provided for - joybells ringing - - - - - -
victory over self + sin + devil -