

A Different Kind of Hero
John 1:4-5
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Thesis: I want us to see a Hero that is above any other, a Hero for all mankind.

- Intro:
1. Hero – (1) a figure in mythology and legend renowned for great strength, courage, and daring. (2) A man celebrated for great achievements and attributes.
 2. Is Christ your Hero? A Hero does something that others don't have the strength, courage or ability to do.
 3. Today we will see how Christ is a different kind of Hero.

I. "Hero's" throughout History

A. Hero's from the world

1. War Hero's - those who conquered evil leaders
2. Hero's of Faith Today (Campbell, Guy N. Woods, and others)

B. Hero's from the Old & New Testament.

1. O.T. – Moses, Abraham, Joshua, David, Daniel (**Heb 11:32-34**).
2. N.T. – Paul, Peter, Phillip, Timothy, the Apostles

II. The Hero sent from God

A. A Promised Hero

1. It was promised in the O.T. and promised in the New that a Hero for mankind was coming (**Isa 53:1, Mt 1:22-23**).
2. He was sent from God thus He would have power and knowledge not seen in man (**Mt 1:20-21**).

B. A Mission unlike any other (**Lk 19:10, 1 Tim 1:15**).

1. Christ's mission was one that could not be accomplished by any other means (**Heb 10:11-12**).
2. Christ overcame what man could not and what we today still cannot overcome (**Col 1:13-14**).
3. Missions have a purpose or a goal in mind. On earth the result of our missions are temporary, however the goal or purpose of the mission of Christ is one eternal in nature. What He accomplished would have eternal results for all mankind.

III. A different kind of Hero - A Savior

A. A Savior for all mankind-for all time (**John 1:12, Rom 6:10**)

1. Our Hero (Christ) gives those who believe on Him the right to become His followers.
2. Christ conquered sin for us because we cannot overcome it alone.

B. A Hero with the light for all men (**John 1:4-5**).

1. Our Hero brought light into the world. This light-the words of eternal life is the hope for all mankind (**John 6:68**). There is no one else, no other person, no one who can be the Hero mankind truly needs.
2. Christ is a true Hero, He did and is saving mankind from its sins.

- Conc:
1. Is Christ your Hero? Is He the one you put your faith in?
 2. Without are Hero we would be without hope (**1 Cor 15:17-19,20-22**)
 3. Full Invitation