



# TRUTH APPLICATIONS

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## Simply Amazing!

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Throughout the decade of the 1960s our nation stopped for the comings and goings of the space program. Mercury, Gemini, and finally Apollo launches were on live TV; I could often watch them blast off before school. On Sunday afternoon, July 20, 1969, I went to the church building next to our house where Dad was working with others to get ready for that church's first Vacation Bible School to tell him man had landed on the moon. That night we watched as Neil Armstrong walked on the moon. It was simply amazing.

We hardly ever watch space travel today. National priorities have changed, but even before they did, TV had long since quit broadcasting departures and returns from space. We had all moved on. Space travel was old hat, treated with a yawn rather than amazement.

In places where it has been long known, the story of Jesus sometimes gets the same reaction. It's commonplace, met with a "Yes-we-all-know-that," ho hum response. But, stop and think about it again.

God created the universe, humans being his masterpiece. He blesses our needs and offers his friendship. Yet, over and over, we insist on our own way. We resist his commands and shun his overtures. But, he sticks with us, always pleading, always working, always blessing.

At the right time in his plan, he sent his one-of-a-kind Son, right from his side where he had forever existed in equality with the Father. He sent him as a baby, to the lowest and weakest. Into his manhood, he experienced humanness in all its fullness and mastered it perfectly despite tempting offers to do things another way. Evil pushed back, hard. The Son was executed, dying in a way that was the lot of the lowest and weakest. God had the last word, however, raising him from the dead so that he now sits enthroned at the Father's right hand, serving as the mediator of our reconciliation with God — if we are willing to accept it.

Just think. The Son who was in the form of God gave up his equality. Lived as man. A humble man. A serving man. Died for his trouble. On a cross, designed to humiliate the lowly. And God exalted him and gave him the name above all other names.

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