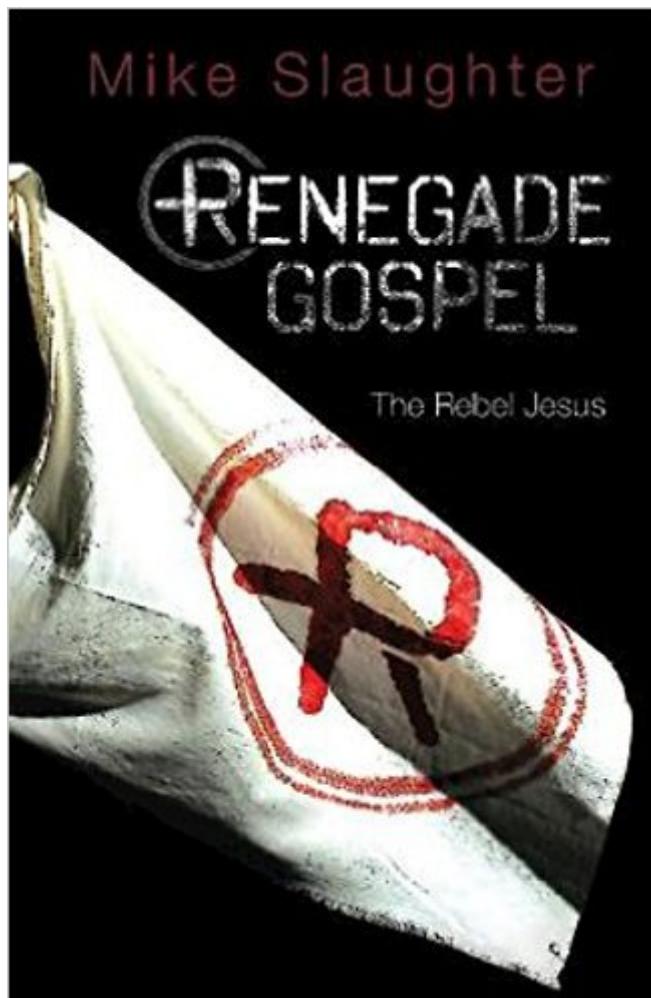


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Who was Jesus, really? Wasn't the central figure to the Christian faith a man who denied all preconceived notions about what God should look like? Wouldn't associating with him have meant joining a rebel movement? Doesn't it still? *Renegade Gospel* is a church study that challenges believers to come to terms with the real Jesus—the rebel Jesus. The six-session program is ideal for an all-church Lenten experience and provides leader guides and materials for adult small groups, including a DVD that features author Mike Slaughter. Materials delivering the same message are supplied for youth and children's studies as well.

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Seasoned Pastor Mike Slaughter explores the question, "What is it about Christians that is so unappealing?" As he answers that question, he seeks to deliver Christians from false images about Jesus and the gospel of the kingdom. He asserts that through false and wrong messages about Jesus and living lives well short of Jesus' call to discipleship "Christians have done more to destroy the image and message of Jesus than all the atheists and agnostics combined!" Slaughter attempts to inspire and exhort Christians to commit to obeying Jesus and conveying his true message of repentance and call to discipleship. A theme of the book is the emphatic statement that "It's not what we 'believe' that saves us; it's what we obey." This book is a clear call to reexamine beliefs and acts of obedience. You might sum up the call of the book by this statement from the closing of the first chapter of the book, "The rebel Jesus came with a renegade gospel to start a revolution that

would be propelled by a countercultural community of people on Planet Earth. And you and I are invited to be a part." Through the remainder of the book, Slaughter adeptly elaborates on this theme. The author's writing and citations reveal influence from the likes of Martin Luther King, Jr., Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Mother Teresa, and N.T. Wright and C.S. Lewis. The terms "rebel Jesus" and "renegade gospel" and "revolution" are attempts to break Christians out of apathy and static routines that lack the radical nature of Jesus' call to new life. Clearly, the message here is aimed at Western Christians who have slogged into complacency in a secular culture and security in a lukewarm faith and Christian practice. Conversely, we see Christians around the world paying for the faith with their homes and lives.

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