What is required for a witness to be appropriate to Jesus Christ?

Two things are required: first, that the witness be *formally* appropriate to Jesus in that it re-presents him as of decisive existential significance, and thus as making explicit the true answer to our existential question about the meaning of our existence; and second, that it be *materially* appropriate to Jesus in that it re-presents as the true answer to our existential question the answer that Jesus himself makes explicit.

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