

From the time when Christ was born of the virgin Mary - which makes Him the God-man - critics have denied and sought to deny the Deity of the only begotten Son of God.

If the incarnation of Christ were not true, man would be lost without any hope of redemption. For Christ to be the "Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29,36;) He had to become "Immanuel, which is being interpreted, God with us" of (Matt 1:23;)

He had to be one of the persons in the Godhead who was "made a little lower than the angels, even Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honour, that by the grace of God he should taste of death for every man." (Heb 2:9;)

He had to share "flesh and blood" with mankind in order that He might deliver "all them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage." (Heb 2:14-15;)

John well states his purpose in John 20:30-31; "Many other signs therefore did Jesus in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book: but these are written, that ye may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye may have life in his name."

Just as each of the earlier writers by inspiration sustained their purpose in writing, so did John sustain his purpose.

It becomes crystal-clear why John began his record in eternity, before "the beginning." The Son of God did not begin at the beginning of creation; in fact, He had no beginning. He "became flesh," showing His eternality.

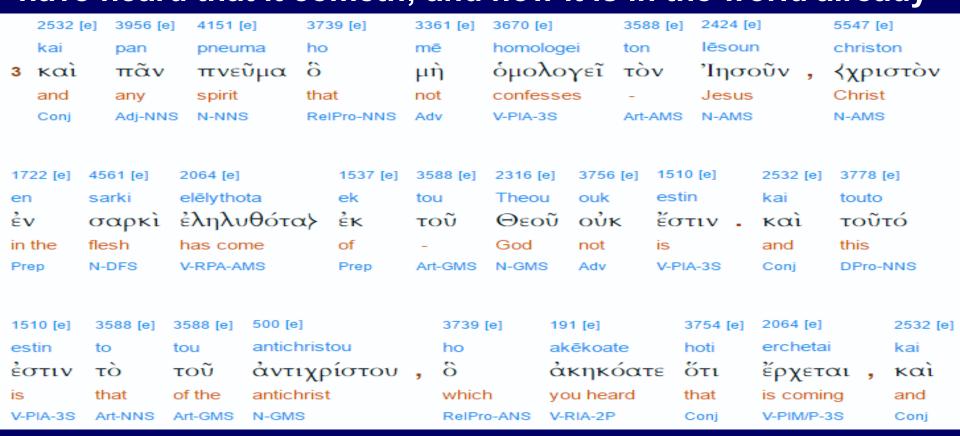
No person who persists in denying the Deity of Christ can have the abundant life. Christ stated, "I said therefore unto you, that you shall die in your sins: for except you believe that I am He, you shall die in your sins." (John 8:24;)

King James 1 John 4:2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:

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Living Bible 1 John 4:2; "and the way to find out if their message is from the Holy Spirit is to ask: Does it really agree that Jesus Christ, God's Son, actually became man with a human body? If so, then the message is from God."

Note the severe condition of denying "that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh": "every spirit that confesseth not Jesus is not of God: and this is the spirit of the antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it cometh; and now it is in the world already"



International English 1 John 4:3; "Another spirit refuses to say this about Jesus. That spirit is not from God. This is the spirit of the enemy of Christ. You have heard

In Genesis, the very first book of the Bible, God creates the first man (Adam) and the first woman (Eve) in His own image.

God places them into a perfect environment, the Garden of Eden.

God gave them a commandment to keep, but they broke it. Breaking God's law is called sin.

We are like Adam and Eve in that we also have sinned.

"The wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23).

This death is not just the physical death we die,

(the separation of the spirit from the body);

Spiritual death involves separation from God.

In 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9; We learn that the Lord Jesus shall be:- "revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power."

To avoid eternal punishment we must come to know God and trust Him and return to a relationship with Him. The Bible reveals God to us and tells us how we may be saved.

God's plan for redeeming man from his sins is seen first in the Garden of Eden.

At the very moment God was pronouncing the penalty for man's sins.

He also promised the opportunity to redeem him.

(Genesis 3:15;)

Later, when God chose Abraham and his descendants for His own special people, He promised "in your seed shall all the nations of the world be blessed." (Genesis 26:4; 28:14).

This seed who would bless all nations is Jesus. (Gal 3:16;). Jesus is the one who (according to the Old Testament) will come into the world through the descendants of Abraham. (the nation of Israel);

Jesus is also the main subject of the New Testament.

His miracles were unique.

And the influence
He has had on the World
is unsurpassed
by any other.

Jesus was no ordinary man, nor was He merely a great teacher, rabbi, guru, or even a prophet.

He was all of these, but much more.

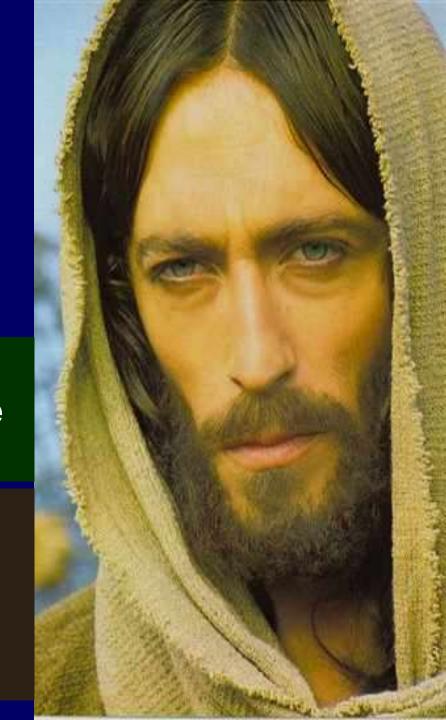


WHAT MAKES JESUS
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GREAT RELIGIOUS
TEACHERS, PROPHETS
OR PHILOSOPHERS?

If any adjective were to describe Jesus, it would be "UNIQUE"!

His message was unique.

The claims He made regarding Himself were unique.



For unlike the other great religious teachers who came before or after Him.

Jesus not only spoke about love and God.

He was love! He was God!



## WHO IS JESUS. YAHWEH is the only SAVIOUR.

Isaiah 43:11; I, even I, am the LORD; and beside Me there is no saviour.

Salvation is found in Jesus only.

"There is no salvation by anyone else, for there is NO OTHER NAME under heaven given among people by which we must be saved." Acts 4:12;

### **JESUS IS UNIQUE!**

Jesus was born over 2,000 years ago.
He is the only person who ever lived who was both thoroughly HUMAN and yet DEITY (Godhood) at the same time.

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1). "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14).

When was the beginning?

It Was when God CREATED the universe.

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Gen 1:1;

WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE.
Jesus said unto them, Truly, Truly,
I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.

John 8:58;

Before the world existed Jesus pre-existed as the word who WAS with God and WAS God.

And now, Father, reveal my glory as I stand in your presence, the glory We shared before the world began.

Physically, Jesus was descended from Abraham.

But He is also part of the Godhead.

God (the Word) became a human being,

one of us. "For in Him dwells

all the fullness of the Godhead bodily." (Colossians 2:9).

# WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE. What was 'Jesus' doing in the beginning?

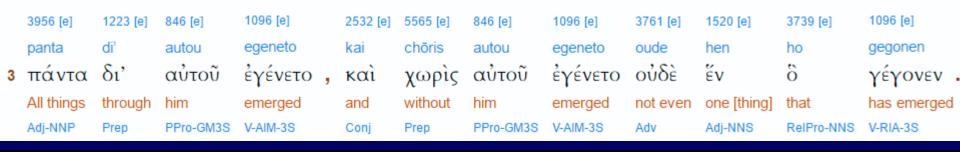
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Why was the universe created?

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**Everything That Exists** 

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ALL CREATED THINGS

According to the law of excluded middle:either a thing was created or it wasn't created
—there is no third option—



According to the law of non contradiction a thing can't be both created and not created, so the categories are mutually exclusive. Any particular thing has to be one or the other.

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NWT. "...and apart from him not even one thing came into existence."

John 1:1 and John 1:3; are saying the same thing two different ways for emphasis and clarity: everything that ever came into being owes its existence to Jesus, who caused it all to happen.

If Jesus caused all created things to come into existence, then He must have existed before all created things came into existence. Therefore, the Word could not have been created.

if Jesus created everything that has come into being, and Jesus also came into being (as some contend), then Jesus created Himself which is a contradiction in terms.

The point is that Jesus as the Word, as God is existing before the creation of all things that ever came into being.

## WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE. What was 'Jesus' doing in the beginning?

New King James Colossians 1:15; "He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation."

International English Colossians 1:15; "Christ is the image of God who cannot be seen. Christ is superior to everything that was made."

Colossians 1:15;
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prooto'tokos pa'sees kti'seoos."

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KJV. Revelation 3:14; "And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; these things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

Living Bible Revelation 3:14; "Write this letter to the leader of the church in Laodicea: This message is from the one who stands firm, the faithful and true Witness [of all that is or was or evermore shall be], the primeval source of God's creation:"

William's New Testament Revelation 3:14;
"To the messenger of the church in Laodicea write:

`The Amen, the true and faithful witness,
the origin of God's creation, speaks as follows:"

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Revelation 3:14; "Kai' too' ange'loo tee's en Laodikei'a ekkleesi'asgra'pson: Ta'de le'gei ho Amee'n, ho Ma'rtus ho Pisto's kai'Aleethino's, hee Archee' tee's kti'seoos tou' Theou'.

Rev 3:14; BEGINNING, ARCHE translated ORIGIN New English N.T.

"THE PRIME SOURCE OF ALL GOD'S CREATION" the cause, the principle, the author of all creation.

As in John 1:1; This passage actually means that CHRIST IS THE ORIGIN OF THE CREATION OF GOD. This is seen to be true in other passages also Heb 1:2; Col 1:16; John 1:3; Eph 3:9;

# WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE. In what sense was Jesus the FIRST-BORN, PROTOTOKOS, of all creation.

- a) Col 1:15; "First-born of all creation" His eternal relationship with the Father
- b) Col 1:18; "First-born from the dead" Rev 1:5; in relation to the resurrection
- c) Rom 8:29; "First-born among many brethren" position in relationship to the church.
- d) Heb 1:6; "When he brings again the First-born into the world" in relation to His return.
- e) This word FIRST-BORN, PROTOTOKOS, does not mean that Christ is a created being, The word has to do with RANK and POSITION and PREEMINENCE.

JW - NWT Col 1:16-17; "Because by means of him all (other) things have been created in the heavens and upon the earth, the things visible and things invisible no matter whether they are thrones or Lordship or governments or authorities. All (other) things have been created through him and for him."

J.W. Say that the (other) is put in to clarify the English text but the real truth is that it is in to deny the eternal nature (Deity) of Christ.



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from PROTOS=first and TIKIO = to beget is used of Christ
as born of a virgin Lk 2:7;
g) In John 1:30; He was before me PROTOS lit He was first Jesus as the word (Deity)
pre-existed and was prior to John.

The logos of Jn 1:1-3; show us the very essence of God (deity) becoming in the form of a man (Jn 1:14;) to Show men who and What God is Jn 1:18;

Paul in Phil 2:6; shows He claims EQUALITY with GOD yet because of mans sin He empties Himself. yet He still is the very image of the invisible God and the expression of God's person Col 1:15; Heb 1:3;

The Father testified to the son, calling Him "My beloved son" on at least two occasions (Matthew 3:17; Matthew 17:5; Mark 1:11; Mark 9:7; Luke 3:22; Luke 9:35; and 2 Peter 1:17;) namely at His baptism and at His transfiguration.

That tells us who Jesus is:- That's why Mark's gospel begins: "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the son of God." (Mark 1:1;)

Jesus Calls himself "First and Last" and "Almighty" titles that belong only to God, (Deity) as it is recorded in Revelation:

There is something special and unique about the words

Alpha and Omega as they appear in Revelation (1:8,11; 21:6;

22:13;) Jesus Christ used those terms

to describe Himself, terms that refer to His deity.

King James Rev 1:8; "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."

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WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE. King James Rev 1:11; "Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

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King James Rev 21:6; "And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely."

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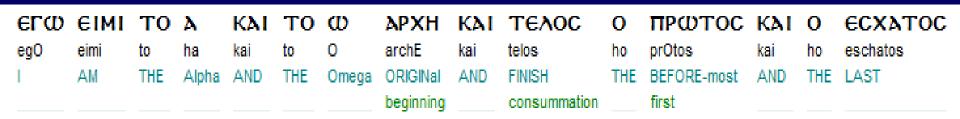
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Jesus as the Word is the Alpha and the Omega in His eternal nature, His role in creation, His sustaining of the universe, and in His fulfillment as the Messiah.

"And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." (Revelation 1:17-18).



We can see from Isaiah that this term is a term that refers specifically to YHWH, Yahweh, the Lord: Isaiah 41:4 "Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I the Lord, the first, and with the last; I am He."

Isaiah 48:12 "Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am He; I AM the first, I also am the last."

### WHO IS JESUS - Deity and Humanity.

King James Matthew 1:23; "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

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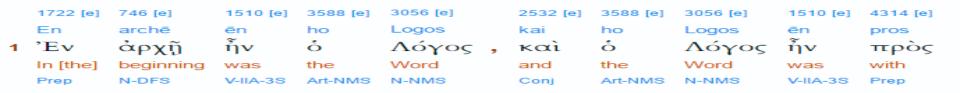
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JW NWT "In [the] beginning the Word was, and the Word was with God, and the Word was a god."

What basis is there for making a distinction between the 'theos' of John 1:1b and the 'theos' of John 1:1c, unless one is predisposed to a particular doctrine?

In John 1, the word 'theos' appears 13 times,
7 times with the definite article (1:b, 1:2, 1:29,
1:34, 1:36, 1:49, 1:51) and 6 times without
the definite article (1:1c, 1:6, 1:12, 1:13, 1:18a,
1:18b). Consistency would demand that the indefinite article
be added to all occurrences which lack the definite article.

Further, there are other verses similar to John 1:1, which have the word 'theos' occurring two or more times, once with the definite article, once without (John 3:2; John 13:3; Romans 1:21; 1 Thess 1:9; Hebrews 9:14; 1 Peter 4:11). The NWT has not added the indefinite article 'a' to any of these passages.

#### **USING THE WORD "GOD"**

The word God, theos in the Greek, ought to be understood as the supreme Divine Being, nothing less, nothing more.

If we ascribes to the word God a specific personality, problems will arise in the reading of the scriptures, and in understanding the nature and plurality of the Godhead.

Some immediately ascribe the word God to the Father. This is faulty, and will bring about much confusion. It is true that more often than not, the word God is used of the Father, But certainly not exclusively.

We must examine the context wherein the word is found, and then ascertain who is spoken of, whether it is the Father, the Son or the Holy Spirit.

IT IS JOHN who originated this title for Christ and who made it current and well understood in the church of his day. It is also correct to say that what this title expressed in one weighty word was known in the church from the very start.

John's Logos is he that is called "Faithful and True" in Rev. 19:11; see v. 13: "and his name is called The Word of God." He is identical with the "Amen, the faithful and true witness," in Rev 3:14;

So John went out to Jews and Greeks to tell them that in Jesus Christ this creating, illuminating, controlling, sustaining mind of God,

Was MORE THAN THAT that He WAS GOD and had come to earth.

John came to tell them that men need no longer guess and grope; all that they had to do was to look at Jesus and they would see not only the mind of God but God Himself.

As God He is eternal. He never had a beginning.
He will never have an end. He dwells not in time,
as we do, but in eternity, in the eternal Now.
(a concept that is almost impossible for us to grasp.)

As human as God could descend, as Divine as man could aspire to! The Mediator between God and Man. Hear, O Israel: the Lord your God, the Lord is One." 'WITH' in the Greek is not indicating co-existence with God, but refers to being of the same substance as God. DEITY the Godhood the God family.

### WHO IS JESUS - Deity and Humanity. "God:- revealed in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, observed by angels, preached to the nations, believed on in the world, received up into glory." 1Timothy 3:16;

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### WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE. John 10:30; Jesus said "I and the Father are one."

If this statement leaves any room for doubt, the reaction of the Pharisees (the Jewish religious leaders) to this statement obliterates that doubt.

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John 10:33; They were so enraged by His words "I and the Father are one" they were ready to stone Him, saying "... you, a mere man, claim to be God"

When He sees they plan to harm Him for His statement, Jesus does not deny His claim, or tell them He mis-spoke. He doesn't say "No, wait! You don't understand my meaning."

#### WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE.

He tells them again in John 8:58, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."

The Pharisees again respond with death threats because when Jesus said "I am" He was using the name and nature of Yahweh to describe Himself

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Jesus is using the term God the Father used In Exodus 3:15; They cry blasphemy!

Another example comes from the disciple, Thomas, who addressed Jesus as "my Lord and my God." In John 20:28;

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# WHO IS JESUS – Deity and Humanity. Heb 1:8; "But unto the Son He saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom."



In this passage, the Father refers to <u>Jesus</u> as <u>"O God"</u> indicating that Jesus is indeed God, and that they are equal Deity.

King James Colossians 2:9; "For in Him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily."

Weymouth's New Testament Colossians 2:9; "For it is in Christ that the fullness of God's nature dwells embodied, and in Him you are made complete."

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Jesus was born of a woman and grew similarly to other humans. Yet He also held full deity within His human form, including full knowledge that He is Deity.

King James Philippians 2:6-7; "Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:"

Living Bible Philippians 2:6-7; "who, though He was God, did not demand and cling to His rights as God, but laid aside His mighty power and glory, taking the disguise of a slave and becoming like men. Christ humbled Himself."

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Living Bible 1 John 4:2; "and the way to find out if their message is from the Holy Spirit is to ask: Does it really agree that Jesus Christ, God's Son, actually became man with a human body? If so, then the message is from God."

International English 1 John 4:2; "This is how you can recognize God's Spirit: One Spirit says, "I believe that Jesus is the Christ. Jesus came to earth and became a human being." That Spirit is from God."

#### JESUS CALLED YHWH. (YHWH appears in A.V. as Jehovah)

Jer 33:16; "Righteous branch to be called, The LORD (YHWH) is our righteousness." Jer 23:5-6; "The king is to be called The LORD (YHWH) is our righteousness."

Zech 12:1-12; (v10) "Look on HIM, LIT, ME" (first person singular)
Zech 13:9; The test = "they will say",
The LORD (YHWH) is MY GOD.
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#### MORE THAN ONE CAN BE "ONE"

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God is "one" Yahweh
yet there are three persons in the Godhead.

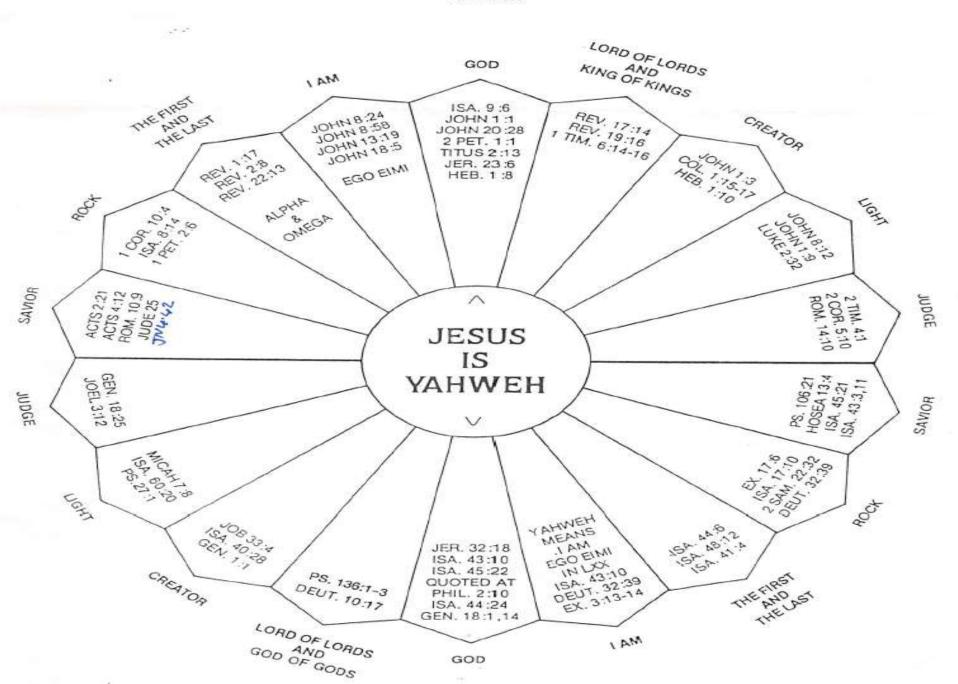
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Unchangeable	Psalm 102:26-27	Hebrews 13:8
Omnipresent	Psalm 139:7-12	John 1:47-51; Matthew 18:20
Omnipotent	Genesis 17:1; 18:14	Matthew 28:18
Omniscient	Psalm 147:4-5	John 16:30; 21:17
Discerner of Thoughts	Psalm 44:21; 139:2	Matthew 9:4; 12:25
Power to Forgive Sins	Isaiah 43:25	Matthew 9:6; Mark 2:5-12
Object of Worship	Matthew 4:10; Psalm 99:9	Matthew 2:11; 8:2; 9:18; 14:33
Eternal	Exodus 3:14	John 8:58

#### **HOW ARE THEY "ONE"?**

They are united in nature / form / and being. They are united in purpose / goals / and aims They are united in thought / and reason.

#### "TO US THERE IS ONE GOD."

1 COR. 8:6



# WHO IS JESUS – Deity and Humanity. Jesus' identity as God is the cornerstone of the gospel message.

Had He simply been a man, just a good teacher or a prophet, His death on the cross would not have been sufficient to pay the penalty for the sins of the world. (1 John 2:2;)

"And He is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world."

If He is not truly Deity and humanity then those who hope in Him are deceived and pitiable. (1 Corinthians 15:19;) Thankfully, there is ample evidence, both from the mouth of Jesus Himself, and from other accounts in Scripture, to prove to us that Jesus Christ is indeed God.

### WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE. What was 'Jesus' doing in the beginning?

"He was slain from the beginning. The Lamb slain from the founding of the world." Rev 13:8;

Jesus Spirit was in all the prophets.

"Searching what, or what manner of time
the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify,
when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ,
and the glory that should follow."

1 Peter 1:11;

WHO IS JESUS - HIS PRE-EXISTENCE.
What was 'Jesus' doing in the beginning?

All the prophets spoke about Jesus.

"He said to them, O fools and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:Ought not Christ to have suffered these

Ought not Christ to have suffered these things and enter into His glory?"

Then beginning at Moses and all the prophets,
He explained to them in all the scriptures
the things concerning Himself. Luke 24:25-27

### WHO IS JESUS? HE WAS CHOSEN BY YAHWEH!

Predicted by Isaiah:-

"Behold my servant, whom I uphold;

mine elect, in whom my soul delights;

I have put my spirit upon him: He shall bring forth judgement to the Gentiles." Isaiah 42:1;

Applied to Jesus:"Behold my servant, whom I have
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well pleased; I will put my spirit upon Him,
He shall show judgement to the Gentiles."
Matthew 12:18;



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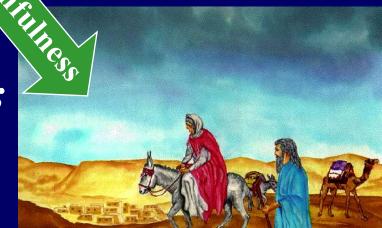


ABRAHAM.

Genesis 12:1-5;

NOAH.

Genesis 6:5-9, 14-15, 22;



### Prophecies of Christ, Fulfilled in Christ.



Christ would be heir to the Throne of David.

Prophecy. (Isaiah 9:7;)

Fulfilled. (Luke 1:32-33;)

Christ would be born of a Virgin.
Prophecy (Isaiah 7:14;)
Fulfilled (Luke 1:26-27, 30-31;)

### WHO IS JESUS House of David given a sign.

"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call His name Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14;

A VIRGIN GIVES BIRTH TO A BOY! Applied to Jesus.

"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which being interpreted means, God with us." Matthew 1:23;

### BORN TO A VIRGIN.

In 750 B.C., the prophet Isaiah made the following prediction:(Isaiah 7:14). "The Lord Himself will give you a sign:Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son."

Seven and a half centuries later, a young virgin in **Israel named Mary was** visited by the angel Gabriel, who announced to her that she would bear a Son. The **Gospel of Luke tells us that** Mary asked the angel how this could be, seeing she had not had intercourse with any man.

And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the **Son of God.**" Luke 1:26-35;

### WHO IS JESUS.

Jesus, however, was not half human and half Divine.
Sometimes He referred to Himself as
"the Son of Man," referring to His humanity,
and sometimes He called Himself "the Son of God,"
referring to His Deity.

The phrase SON OF in this Biblical context means to <u>fully possess</u> the characteristics of one's father.

He was fully human and fully Divine.
What humility He showed to live on earth as a human being!

### WHO IS JESUS.

"Your attitude should be the kind that was shown us by Jesus Christ, who, though He was God, did not demand and cling to his rights as God, but laid aside His mighty power and glory, taking the disguise of a slave and becoming like men. Christ humbled Himself And He humbled himself even further, going so far as actually to die a criminal's death on a cross." (Philippians 2:5-8).

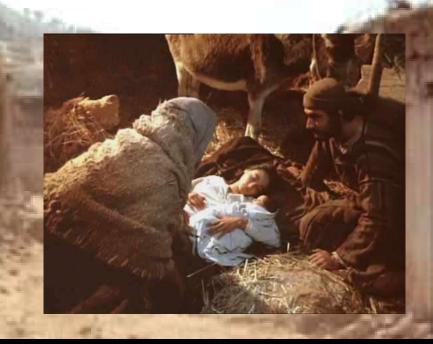
Jesus had one Human and one Divine parent.

An angel told the woman who would become His mother:
"And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus." (Luke 1:31;).

### BIRTHPLACE.

A full 700 years before Jesus' birth, the prophet Micah foretold the exact town where the Messiah would be born:

"You, Bethlehem, though you are little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, whose goings forth are from of old, from everlasting" Micah 5:2;





Though Joseph and Mary lived in Nazareth, in northern Israel, at the time Mary was about to give birth. They were forced to travel to Bethlehem in order to take part in a nationwide census. It was during their time in Bethlehem that Jesus was born.

### JESUS WAS CHOSEN BY YAHWEH.

Also Predicted by Isaiah:Isaiah 28:16; "thus says the Lord GOD,
Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone,
a tried stone, a precious corner stone,
a sure foundation..."

### **Applied to Jesus:-**

"Come to the Christ, who is the living Foundation of Rock upon which God builds; though men have spurned him, he is very precious to God who has chosen him above all others."

As the Scriptures express it, "See, I am sending the Christ to be the carefully chosen, precious Cornerstone of my church, and I will never disappoint those who trust in him." 1 Peter 2:4-6;

### WHO IS JESUS.

Jesus is eternal. On one occasion He told the Jews:"Before Abraham was, I AM." (John 8:58;)
Although Abraham had lived on earth
2,000 years before Jesus.

Jesus' existence went far beyond that.

His choice of the words, "I AM," shows that:
He is eternal. Jesus was sent to earth by the Father.

(John 5:23;)

He came from heaven. (John 6:38;) He returned there. (John 13:3;)

Jesus made it clear by this statement, that He was equal with God. (John 5:17-18;) Therefore, the Jews wanted to kill Him.

# WHO IS JESUS. THE ULTIMATE VICTORY BELONGED TO JESUS THROUGH THE RESURRECTION.

Jesus is God. (John 1:14;).

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." (John 1:1;) "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, We beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

"God:- revealed in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, observed by angels, preached to the nations, believed on in the world, received up into glory." 1Timothy 3:16;

### Prophecies of Christ, Fulfilled in Christ.



Christ would be called out of Egypt.

Prophecy (Hosea 11:1;)

Fulfilled (Matthew 2:14-15;)

The way was to be prepared for Christ.
- Prophecy. (Isaiah 40:3-5;)
Fulfilled. (Luke 3:3-6;)

Christ would be a Prophet like Moses.
-Prophecy. (Deuteronomy 18:15;)
Fulfilled. (Acts 2:20-22;)

### Prophecies of Christ, Fulfilled in Christ.



Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.
Prophecy. (Zechariah 9:9;)
Fulfilled. (Mark 11:7-9;)

Christ would not be believed. Prophecy. (Isaiah 53:1-4;) Fulfilled. (John 12:37-41;)

Christ would become sacrifice for us.

Prophecy. (Isaiah 53:5-6;)

Fulfilled. (Romans 5:6-8;)

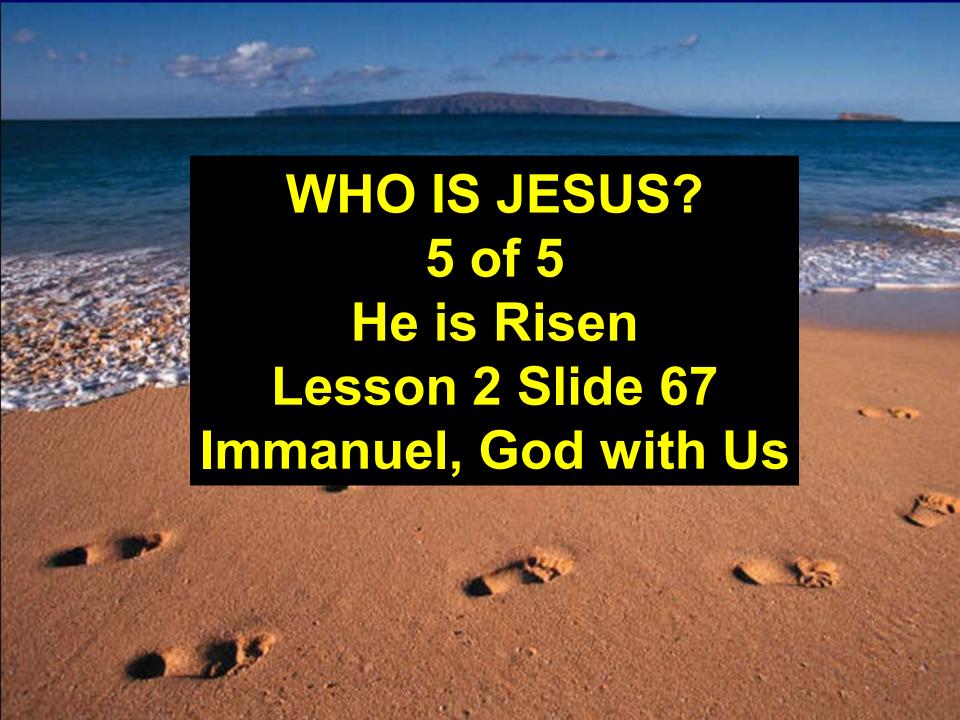
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### WHO IS JESUS - IMMANUEL - GOD WITH US

Through Jesus we can know God. John 14:9; "Jesus says to him, Have I been so long a time with you, and yet have you not known me, Philip? He who has seen ME has seen the Father."

JESUS IS OUR SAVIOUR. (Luke 1:31;)
The name Jesus means "Saviour." His mother Mary was instructed to give Him the name Jesus WHY?
"for He shall save His people from their sins."
Matthew 1:21;

For just this purpose He left heaven and came to earth.

But since He appeared to be just like any other man,

Jesus had to demonstrate that He was the Son of God

who could save people from their sins.

Through Jesus we can KNOW God. His works prove who He is.

Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake. John 14:11;

He proved His identity by the miracles, signs, and wonders that He did.

Jesus healed a man who had been unable to walk for 38 years. (John 5:5-9;)

Jesus fed 5,000 people with five barley loaves and two small fish. (John 6:9-14;)

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Jesus was able to cause a man to see who had been born blind. (John 9:1-7;)

Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead!
(John 11:38-44;)

These are just a few miracles that He worked.

The results of these wonders are recorded in several passages of Scripture.

### Many believed in His name when they saw the signs which He did. (John 2:23;).

"Then a great multitude followed Him, because they saw His signs which He performed on those who were diseased."

John 6:2:

"Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher come from God; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." John 3:2;

"When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, many of the Jews believed in Him, but the chief priests were jealous and determined to put Jesus to death." (John 12:9-11;)

Which they eventually did.

From the beginning of the world it was God's plan to allow Jesus to be put to death on a cross as the sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

He was qualified to take our place because He was sinless.

God raised Him from the dead.

# TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM. The Prophet Zechariah commanded the people by the spirit of the Lord to:"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; Shout, O daughter of JERUSALEM: behold, The King comes to you; He is just, and having salvation:Lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass."

FIVE DAYS BEFORE HIS <u>CRUCIFIXION</u>, JESUS RETURNED TO <u>JERUSALEM</u> and told His disciples, "Go into the village over against you, and straightway ye shall find an <u>ass</u> tied, and a colt with her: loose them, and bring them unto Me."

(Zech 9:9; - 450 B.C.)

# TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM.



And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them, AND THEY BROUGHT THE ASS ... AND THEY SAT HIM ON IT ... AND THE **MULTITUDES THAT WENT** BEFORE, AND THAT FOLLOWED, CRIED, SAYING, HOSANNA to the Son of David:- BLESSED is He that comes in the Name of the Lord." Mt 21:2-10;

# BETRAYAL.

# In 487 B.C., the prophet Zechariah wrote:-

"Then I said to them, 'If it is agreeable to you, give me my wages; and if not, refrain.' So they weighed out for my wages thirty pieces of silver. Then the LORD said to me, 'Throw it to the potter, that magnificent price at which I was valued by them." Zech11:12-13;

On the night that Jesus was arrested by His enemies, the New Testament tells us that Judas Iscariot went to the chief priests and said. "What are you willing to give me if I deliver Him to you?' And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver. Matthew 26:14-15.

"Then Judas, which had betrayed Him (Jesus), when he saw that He was condemned, repented, and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and elders... And he CAST DOWN the pieces of silver in the temple, and went away and hanged himself.

# BETRAYAL.

"The chief priests picked up the silver pieces, and said, 'It is against the law to put this into the treasury, because it is the price paid for blood.' So they decided to use the money to buy the POTTER'S Field, to bury foreigners in." Matt 27:3-6;

The thirty pieces of silver WERE literally "CAST to the POTTER... IN the house of the Lord!"

Five hundred years before the event took place, God's prophet, Zechariah, predicted the exact price that Jesus' enemies would pay to His traitorous disciple, Judas!

# **JESUS - TRIAL.**

"He was TAKEN from PRISON and from JUDGMENT: and who shall declare His generation? For He was CUT OFF out of the land of the living:- FOR THE TRANSGRESSION OF MY PEOPLE was He stricken." (Isaiah 53:8;)





In the course of Jesus' trial,
Pilate asked the Jews, "Will ye
therefore that I RELEASE unto
You [from prison] the King of the
Jews? Then cried they all again,
saying, Not this Man, but
Barabbas. (John.18:39;)

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So Jesus should have <u>STAYED</u> in prison. Pilate, after questioning Jesus, went before the Jews three times proclaiming. "I FIND <u>NO FAULT IN HIM."</u> His judgment, therefore, was that He was <u>INNOCENT</u> of the charges laid against Him. (John 18:38; 19:4-6;)

JESUS – CRUCIFIXION.
Another outstanding prophecy regarding the
Messiah was made by Israel's King David around
the year 1000 B.C. In his prophecy, David gave
details of a cruel and agonizing death which
he himself never suffered:- (Psalm 22:14-18;).





# JESUS - CRUCIFIXION.

"I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint; my heart is like wax; it has melted within me... Dogs have surrounded me; the congregation of the wicked has enclosed me. They pierced my hands and my feet... They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots."





King David died a peaceful, natural death, so we know he was not talking about himself in this passage of Scripture. But also being a prophet, David predicted with uncanny accuracy the circumstances surrounding the cruel death on the cross of the Messiah, the Christ that was to come:-

"I am poured out like water... my heart is melted within me." Jesus not only poured out His life for us spiritually, but the New Testament tells us that shortly after He died, while He was still hanging on the cross, one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water flowed out." (See John 19:34;)

All my bones are out of joint."

This describes one of the horrors of death by crucifixion:- The weight of the victim's body literally pulls his arms out of their sockets.



"Dogs have surrounded me; the congregation of the wicked has enclosed me." The New Testament tells us that Jesus' wicked and vengeful religious enemies, the Scribes and the Pharisees, gathered around Him as He was nailed on the cross, mocking and reviling Him. (See Matthew 27:39-44.)



"They pierced my hands and my feet."

This is probably the most astounding prediction within this prophecy.

Crucifixion was not practiced by the Jews of David's time.

Their religious laws demanded that criminals condemned to die be stoned to death.

God showed His prophet, David, how the Messiah would die 10 centuries later, executed at the hands of an empire that did not even exist in David's day.

Rome:- whose principal means of executing criminals was crucifixion.



They divide my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots." In the Gospels we find the fulfillment of this prophecy:-

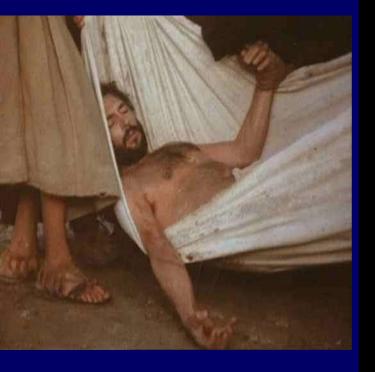
"Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His garments and made four parts, to each soldier a part, and also the tunic."

"Now the tunic was without seam, woven from the top in one piece. They said therefore among themselves, 'Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be." (John 19:23-24;)

# HIS BURIAL PROPHECY.

"And He made His <u>GRAVE</u> with the <u>WICKED</u>, and with the <u>RICH</u> in His <u>DEATH</u>." (Isa 53:9;)



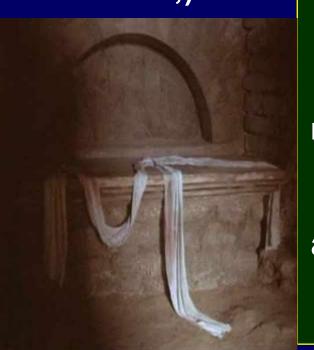


FULFILMENT:- JESUS DIED AS A WICKED MAN IN THE EYES OF THE WORLD, as there were "two THIEVES CRUCIFIED WITH HIM." (Mt 27:38;) After His DEATH "A RICH MAN ... named Joseph ... went to Pilate, and begged the BODY OF JESUS. ... When Joseph had taken the body, he ... LAID IT IN HIS OWN NEW TOMB"-

(Mt.27:57-60)

HIS RESURRECTION:"For You will not <u>LEAVE</u> My soul in <u>HELL</u>; neither will You suffer Your <u>HOLY ONE</u> to see <u>CORRUPTION</u>."





THE WORD "HELL" HERE IS FROM THE
HEBREW WORD "SHEOL," which is sometimes
translated "hell" and other times "grave." It
means both. King David, who gave the prophecy,
died and was buried and his flesh saw
corruption, but Jesus was raised from the grave
and hell three days after His death, and "His soul
was not LEFT in hell [or the grave], neither [did]
His flesh see corruption." Acts 2:27-31;

As the angel said to the mourners who came to Jesus' tomb, "He is not here, but is <u>risen</u>... Why seek ye the <u>living</u> among the dead?" (Luke 24:5-6;)

"I declare unto you the gospel ... wherein you stand; By which also you are saved ... how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the scriptures" 1 Cor 15:1-4;

The Apostles witnessed it
"Him - God raised up the third day and showed Him openly, Not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before by God, even to us, who did eat and drink with Him after He rose from the dead." Acts 10:40-41;

Job anticipated seeing Him
Job 19:25-27: "I know that my redeemer lives, and
that He will stand at the latter day on the earth:and though after my skin Worms destroy
this body, yet in my flesh will I see God:
Whom I will see for myself, and
my eyes will behold, and not another's."

Matt 27:52-53; "And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints, who slept, arose and came out of the graves after His resurrection and went into the holy city, and appeared to many."

1Timothy 3:16; "God: revealed in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, observed by angels, preached to the nations, believed on in the world, received up into glory."

Jesus is in heaven!

1 Peter 3:22; "[Jesus Christ] Who is gone into heaven and is on the right hand of God, angels, authorities and powers being made subject to Him."

The purpose of the Church. Ephes 3:8-10; "[God] created all things by Jesus Christ to the intent that now, to the principalities and authorities in the heavenly places, might be made known, by the church, the many aspects of the wisdom of God."

These facts were preached in the first gospel sermon which the apostle Peter proclaimed on the day of Pentecost.

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know, Him, being delivered by the determined counsel and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death." (Acts 2:22-23).

"This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses" (Acts 2:32).

"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you have crucified, both Lord and Christ." (Acts 2:36;)

Jesus ALLOWED sinful human beings to crucify Him, for through this means His innocent blood was shed for our sins. How we may have forgiveness of our sins will be revealed in the next few lessons.

This is my beloved Son. Listen to Him! Luke 9:35;

# DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM AFTER HIS CRUCIFIXION!

PROPHECY:- "At the end of 62 sevens shall the Messiah be cut off, but not for Himself: AND the people of the RULER that SHALL COME shall DESTROY the CITY (of Jerusalem) and the SANCTUARY (the Jewish Temple)." Daniel 9:26;

In other words, according to this prophecy, AFTER the Messiah's death, the city of Jerusalem AND the Jewish Temple would be DESTROYED! Were they?

YES! A.D. 70. Only 40 years later!

# DESTRUCTION OF JERUSALEM AFTER HIS CRUCIFIXION!

FULFILMENT:- After Jesus was cut off (crucified in 30 A.D.), "not for Himself", but for the sins of the WORLD.

In 70 A.D., the Roman legions of the Emperor Vespasian. ("the people of the ruler"), under his son, General Titus, marched in and burned Jerusalem to the ground and so utterly destroyed their Sanctuary that not one stone was left upon another!

Jesus Himself, in a set of amazingly detailed prophecies given 40 years before these catastrophic events.

Predicted EXACTLY what would happen!

(See Matthew 24:1-2; Luke 19:42-44; 21:20-24.)

# SHUTTING OF EAST GATE AFTER HIS COMING.

PROPHECY:- "Then he brought me back to the outer GATE of the SANCTUARY, the one facing toward the EAST; and it was SHUT. Then the Lord said unto me; This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and NO MAN shall enter in by it; because THE LORD, THE GOD OF ISRAEL, HAS ENTERED IN BY IT, therefore it shall be SHUT." Ezekiel 44:1-2.

(Prophecy given 572 B.C.)



FULFILMENT:- "When Jesus ("the Lord, the God of Israel")
made His TRIUMPHAL ENTRY into Jerusalem on the back of
the colt of an ass, He came from the Mt. of Olives and entered
into Jerusalem's EAST Gate. (Matthew 21:9-12;)
The gate which led into the TEMPLE COURTS, as it says here,
"the OUTER gate of the SANCTUARY
which faces toward the EAST."

### SHUTTING OF EAST GATE AFTER HIS COMING.

In 70 A.D., the city of Jerusalem was utterly destroyed and it remained in ruins for centuries after. But in 1542, the Moslem Sultan Suleiman rebuilt the walls of the city. Because the Jews who had rejected Jesus believed their Messiah was STILL to come and was YET to make His triumphal entry into Jerusalem.



Suleiman (who wanted to avoid the Jews rallying around a "Messiah" and rebelling) WALLED the "East Gate" completely SHUT, and thus unwittingly fulfilled the ancient prophecy of Ezekiel. "It shall be shut...because the Lord (Jesus), the God of Israel, HAS ENTERED in by it." The East Gate REMAINS sealed shut until this very day!

# JESUS IS ALIVE! He is risen! Christ Fulfilled Prophecy!

"And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may, have life in His name."

John 20:30-31

# How can we have life in His name?



Through the GOSPEL.

The mystery has been revealed!

Eph 3:2-6;



# The mystery has been revealed!

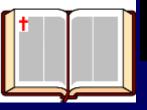
2. As you already know, God has given me this special ministry of announcing his favour to you Gentiles. 3. As I briefly mentioned earlier in this letter, God himself revealed his secret plan to me. As you read what I have written, you will understand what I know about this plan regarding Christ.

"God did not reveal it to previous generations, but now he has revealed it by the Holy Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets. 6. And this is the secret plan:

The Gentiles have an equal share with the Jews in all the riches inherited by God's children."

"Both groups have believed the Good News, and both are part of the same body and enjoy together the promise of blessings through Christ Jesus."

"7. By God's special favour and mighty power, I have been given the wonderful privilege of serving Him by spreading this Good News."





Our becoming a child of God / a Christian.

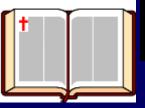


It involves God's Grace first of all without God recognising our need of a Saviour we would be lost in our sins & Perish without hope.

John 3:16-17; Gods motivation and Gods response to mans need If we say in response to this.

See God has done it all:-

It is all of Grace we need do nothing continue to John 3:36; Where Jesus says belief is not enough obedience is necessary also.



# WHAT IS INVOLVED IN OUR SALVATION





Eph 2:4-10; see v8 By Grace we have been saved —through Faith — (The gift mentioned in the text Is not of —faith- but the gift of GRACE.)

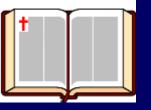
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E. Expense God in Christ has done for us what we could not do for ourselves He paid the price for our sins.



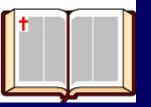


We must recognise that we are SINNERS in need of salvation Rom 3:23; All Sinned (remember ch1 Gentiles Knew God but did not follow God Ch2 Jews had the word of God but failed to accept, failed to practice it.

The result Ch3 Both /All/ condemned because even though they knew who God was and what God wanted them to do.

They would not accept it and do it so Paul's conclusion: All are sinners.

Rom 6:23; Dead in sin we need a Saviour!
We will never respond to the Good news of
the Grace of God until we admit we have a problem.
Are we then willing to do something about that problem.
James 4:17; "know what to do and do not do it =sinners."



We need to hear Good News the gospel

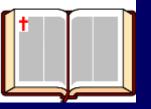
Rom 10:13-21; see v17 "Faith comes by hearing" Therefore not faith alone. We need to hear also.

See 21; Not just have faith. We need obedience – they heard and believed what God said but would not do anything about it did not obey. (disobedient).

So we cannot be saved by Faith Alone.

Paul begins in Rom 1:1-5 speaking about the Grace of God in Raising Christ for our salvation. The result of His resurrection was to v5 BRING ABOUT OUR OBEDIENCE OF FAITH.

Paul ends in Rom 16:25-27; see v26; The gospel and the preaching of Jesus is to bring about the obedience of faith. (this is not faith by itself it is not passive faith. It is faith in action).





What ever God says for me to do in response to His grace. To accept the salvation on offer through the blood of Jesus. I am willing to do it. If that includes to have faith, I am willing.

If I have to repent of my sins, I am willing.

If I have to confess my belief in Jesus, I am willing.

If I have to be baptised in water to be cleansed of my sins by the blood of Jesus, I am willing.

If I have to rise out of the water to walk a new life, I am willing!

The obedience of faith means to do ALL that God requires me to do in order to have my sins forgiven / to become His child.

Rom 1:16-18; The Gospel saves us. It is The power of God to save us. That God has sent His son to die in our place that if we accept the salvation offered.

We can be proclaimed NOT GUILTY before God.

Rom 8:1-11; We can be proclaimed not Guilty and live by the power of the Spirit of God appreciating spiritual things are of greater value that Physical things?

1 Cor 15:1-11; The death burial and resurrection of Jesus is the good news death could not hold Him Jesus died for you and me.

Some point to 1 Cor 15:11 and say "see Paul preached and we believed Therefore all you need is faith."

WRONG the same verse 11 says that without Paul's preaching they would not be able to believe – so at least two things involved here, preaching and believing not FAITH ALONE)

Faith Saves we need to BELIEVE –
Need to have FAITH in the good news. Mark 16:16;
"He that believes and is baptised shall be saved"
Rom 10 17 faith comes by hearing

Heb 11:6; says "So, you see, it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that there is a God and that He rewards those who sincerely seek him."

Repentance saves. – We need to repent.

Acts 2:38; The first gospel message when people asked what to do because the were sinners and had been involved in crucifying Jesus they asked what must we do?

Peter responds repent and be baptised everyone of you for the forgiveness of our sins and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

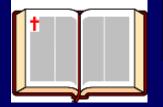
Peter's second recorded sermon in Act 3; see v19;

"Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out." New Jerusalem Bible

"Now turn from your sins and turn to God, so you can be cleansed of your sins." N.L.T.

"Now change your mind and attitude to God and turn to him so he can cleanse away your sins."

Repentance means you turn around.
You have been going away from God
you need to turn back to God.
By faith we do what ever He has asked of us.





This second sermon is saying the same as the first.

(What must we do -repent - turn around - be baptised. 
Turn to Jesus's death burial and resurrection.

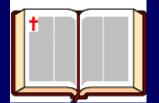
Turn to access the blood of Christ that saves.)

Like the military order ABOUT FACE and go in the opposite direction.

(If repentance is also necessary for salvation. Faith is not alone.)

Acts 11:21; "a great number TURNED to the Lord."

"He commands everyone to repent,
to turn back to God." Acts 17:30;







- "9. For if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."
- "10. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved. 11. As the Scriptures tell us. "Anyone who believes in Him will not be disappointed."

Rom 10:8-17;
Is a favourite passage of those who teach faith alone the problem again is that more than faith is mentioned in these verses.

Hearing, believing and confessing are mentioned.

Another Problem.
No mention of repentance!
Does that mean we do not need to repent of our past sins?

#### How can we have life in His name?

Acts 8:34-39; see v37 in Living bible, in most other bibles it is in the foot notes 36.As they rode along, they came to a small body of water, and the eunuch said, "Look! Water! Why can't I be baptized?"

37 "You can" Philip answered:"if you believe with all your heart."
The eunuch replied,
"I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."
38. He stopped the chariot, and they went down into the water and Philip baptized him." Living Bible

This is sometimes called the "good confession" as it is said before someone is baptised.

# Baptism saves us by giving us access to the blood as we put on Christ

"For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as

many of you as

were baptized

into Christ

have put on

Christ"

(Gal 3:26-27:)



**Outside Christ** 

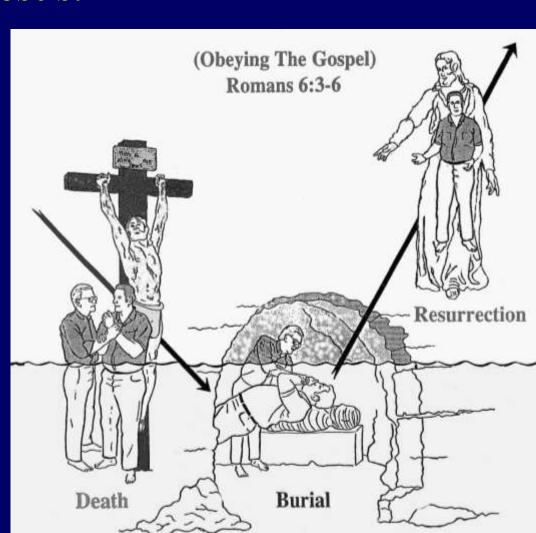
# To have that hope of eternal life:-We need to BELIEVE In Jesus.

We need to DIE with Jesus.

Be BURIED with Him in Baptism.

If WE are
UNITED with Him.
We will be
RAISED like Him.

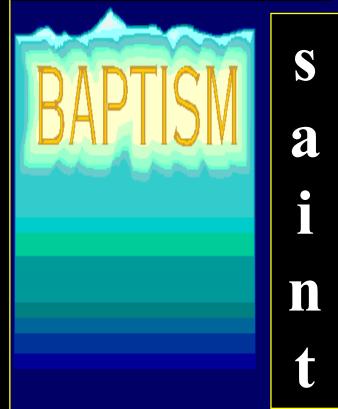
Rom 6:3-6;



Conversions in Acts.	Heard	Believed	Repented	Confessed	<b>Baptised</b>
Acts 2:36-41; Pentecost.	Yes		Yes		Yes
Acts 4:4; Five thousand.	Yes	Yes			
Acts 8:5-13 Philip in Samaria	Yes	Yes			Yes
Acts 8:26-40; The Eunuch.	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes
Acts 9:1-19; Saul to Paul	Yes				Yes
Acts 10:1-48; 1 <sup>st</sup> Gentiles.	Yes	Yes			Yes
Acts 11:19-21; Greeks.		Yes	Yes		
Acts 13:6-12; Proconsul.	Yes	Yes			
Acts 14:1; Jews/Greeks.	Yes	Yes			
Acts 16:12-16; Lydia.	Yes				Yes
Acts 16:16-33; Jailer.	Yes	Yes			Yes
Acts 18:8; Crispus & others.	Yes	Yes			Yes
Acts 19:1-7; Other People.	Yes	Yes			Yes
Acts 22:1-16; Paul's story.	Yes	Yes			Yes

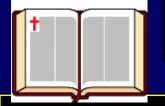
Results of being born again.
Rise to walk a new life.

John 3:5;



Salvation. Mk 16:16;
Remission of sins. Acts 2:38;
Washing. Acts 22:16;
Calling on Lord. Acts 22:16;
Christ's death. Rom 6:3;
Putting off sin. Rom 6:4;
New creature. 2 Cor 5:17;
In Christ. Gal 3:27;

Cleansing. Eph 5:26;
Sanctification. Eph 5:26;
In the Kingdom. Col 1:13-14;
Gift of Holy Spirit. Acts 2:38;
Body of Christ. 1 Cor 12:13;
All blessings. Eph 1:3;
Wearing name. 1 Cor 1:13;



#### How can we have life in His name?



1 Pet. 3:21 An appeal of a good conscience toward God,
An appeal to God for salvation
Blood cleanses conscience, Heb. 9:14
Blood contacted in baptism, Rom. 6:3
Boldly enter God's presence, Heb. 10:19, 22
Without baptism the appeal to come before God & be saved is denied!

Added together, Acts 2:41
Added by the Lord, Acts 2:47
Added by obeying the Spirit's
command to be baptized, 1 Cor. 12:12-13
Baptized into one body, the church.



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- •Wearing name, 1 Cor. 1:1315

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Objection:- In Acts 2:38: for (eis) means because of not in order to.

#### **Matthew 26:28:**

this is My blood...
which is shed for
many for the
remission of sins (eis
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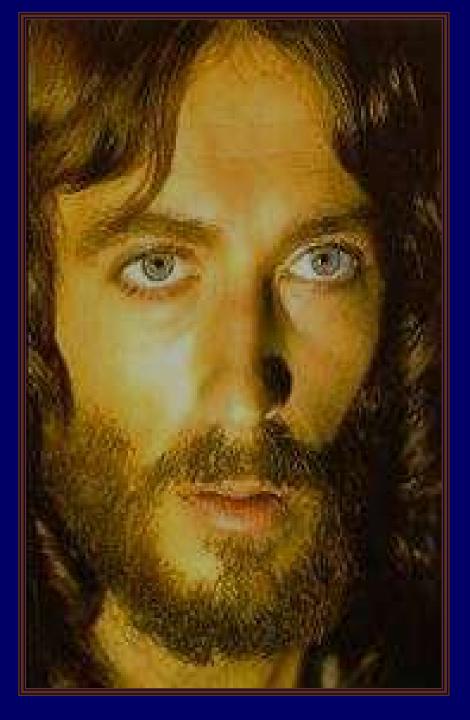
IN ORDER TO HAVE

#### Acts 2:38:

Repent, and...be
baptized in the name
of Jesus Christ for
the remission of sins
(eis afesin ámartiwn)

IN ORDER TO HAVE

We see in these two passages exactly the same Greek eis.



"This Jesus of Nazareth, without money and arms, conquered more millions than Alexander, Caesar and Napoleon.

Without science and learning He shed more light on things human and things divine than all philosophers and scholars combined.

Without the eloquence of schools,
He spoke such Words of Life as
were never spoken before or since,
and produced effects which lie
beyond the reach of orator or poet.

Without writing a single line, He set more pens in motion, and furnished themes for more sermons, orations, discussions, learned volumes, works of art and songs of praise than the whole army of great men of ancient and modern times."

## JESUS IS ALIVE! He is risen!

Mere MENTAL, intellectual, acceptance of these facts is not enough.

For you to be absolutely CERTAIN that Jesus is Who He claimed to be, the Son of God, you simply need to personally TRY Him!

You don't have to know all the answers,
Or try to figure Him out. Just enter into
a relationship with Him in His way.
So He can forgive your sins and make you
part of His Family, Kingdom, Body, Church.

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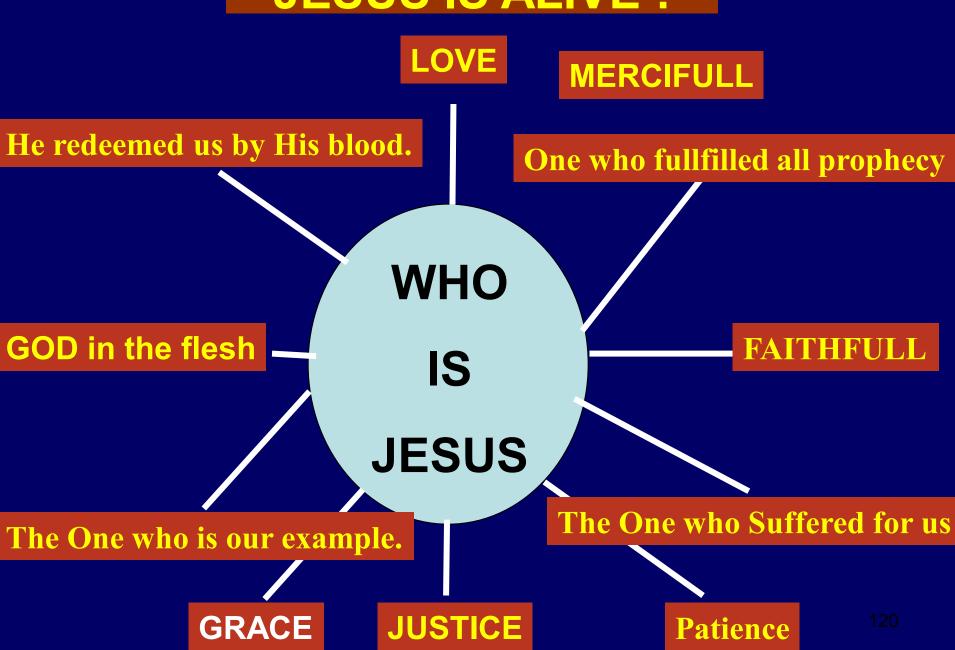
Jesus said:- "He that believes and is baptized shall be saved.

He also said that if you don't believe Him and what He says you will be condemned.

Because you will die in your sins. Rom 3:23; "The wages of sin is death" It's that simple.



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