

God, and the Word was God

... And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.... "

**I. Jesus Christ was more than a "good man." He is God.**

- Philippians 2:6
- Hebrews 1:8

**A. He Himself claimed to be God.**

- John 4:26; 8:23; 10:30; 13:13; 14:7-10

**B. He accepted worship.**

- Matthew 8:2; 9:18; 14:33; 15:25; 18:26; 28:9, 17
- Mark 5:6; Luke 24:52; John 5:22, 23; John 9:38

**C. He claimed the power and authority to forgive sin.**

- Matthew 9:6; Mark 2:7

**D. "He was God manifest in the flesh"**

- **1 Timothy 3:16**
- "For in Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" (Colossians 2:9).

**E. "God was in Christ" (2 Corinthians 5:19)**

- Who is "the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person..." (Hebrews 1:3).

**F. Jesus is therefore throughout scripture referred to as the "image of God."**

- John 1:18;
- 2 Corinthians 4:4;
- Colossians 1:15
- Philippians 2:6

**II. By the names attributed to him in scripture it can be seen that Jesus Christ was truly God as well as man.**

**A. "Mighty God."**

- Isaiah 9:6

**B. The Word of God.**

- John 1:1;
- Revelation 19:13, 16

**C. "Emmanuel," meaning "God with us."**

- Isaiah 7:14;
- Matthew 1:23

**D. The Almighty.**

- Revelation 1:8

**E. The "I Am."**

- John 8:58 with Exodus 3:14

**E. "My Lord and my God!"**

- John 20:28

**F. The "Alpha and Omega" (first and last).**

- Isaiah 41:4; Isaiah 44:6; 48:12;
- Revelation 1:8, 11, 17; 2:8; 21:6; 22:13

**G. Son of God.**

- Matthew 17:5;
- Mark 1:1;
- Luke 1:35;
- 1 John 4:15

**H. The only begotten Son**

- John 1:18

**I. The Holy One**

- Acts 3:14; Hosea 11:9

**J. The Lord**

- Acts 4:26; Matthew 22:43-45
- Phil 2:11; Acts 10:36

**K. The Lord of Glory**

- 1 Cor 2:8; Psalms 24:8-10

**L. God with us**

## **M. Our Great God**

- Titus 2:13

## **N. God blessed forever**

- Romans 9:5

## **III. Jesus Christ possessed all the attributes of God.**

### **A. He was (is) omniscient (all-knowing).**

#### **1. Jesus knew the secret history of individual lives**

- John 4:16-19

#### **2. Jesus knew the secret thoughts of men**

- Mark 2:8; 12:15
- Luke 5:22; 6:8; 9:47;11:17
- Acts 1:24 5:42; 6:6; 16:19, 30;
- John 2;24,25;

#### **3. Jesus knew what was in mans heart**

- 2 Chronicles 6:30
- Jer. 17:9,10

#### **4. Jesus foretold his own death by crucifixion.**

- Matthew 16:21; 17:22, 23; 20:18, 19
- John 2:19, 21, 22; 12:23, 24, 32-33

#### **5. Jesus Knew Judas would betray Him**

- John 6:64;

#### **6 Jesus knew what men were doing at a distance**

- John 1:48

#### **7. Jesus knew the future and minute details of events**

- Luke 22:10-12
- John 13:1
- Luke 5:4-6

#### **8. Jesus knew ALL THINGS**

- Col. 2:3

- a. **Where two or three are gathered in His name**
  - Matthew 18:20; 28:20
- b. **He is with those obey his commands**
  - Matthew 28:20
- c. **Jesus was in heaven while here on earth**  
John 3:13
- d. **Christ is in every believer**
  - John 14:20; 1 Cor 13:5; Eph.1:23

**C. He is omnipotent (all-powerful).**

- a. **Jesus has power over disease**
  - Luke 4:39
- b. **Jesus has power over death**
  - Luke 7:14,15; Luke 8:54,55; Jn. 5:22
- c. **Jesus has power over the wind and waves**
  - Matthew 8:26,27
- d. **Jesus has power over demons; they are subject to His word**
  - Matthew 8:16; Luke 4:35,36,41-
- e. **Jesus is far above all principality, power and might, dominion, and every name named in this world and above, and which is to come; all things are subject to and under His feet**
  - Ephesians 1:20-23
- f. **The Son of God upholds all things by the Word of His Power**
  - Hebrews 1:3

**D. He is eternal.**

- 1 Timothy 1:17; 6:16;
- Revelation 1:4, 5

**creation of the world, that He was present with the Father from the beginning of time.**

- Genesis 1:26; 3:22; 11:7 ("... us ... our ... our ...")
- Proverbs 8:22-36;
- Isaiah 48:12, 16;
- Micah 5:2
- John 1:1-3, 10; 3:13; 6:62; 17:5, 24; 8:35, 58
- 1 Corinthians 8:6;
- Ephesians 3:9;
- Philippians 2:5
- Colossians 1:15-19
- Romans 11:36;
- Hebrews 1:2;
- Revelation 3:14

**2. Jesus is "the first and the last"**

- Isaiah 44:6; 48:12
- Revelation 1:11, 17 the "Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end"
- Revelation 1:8, 11; 2:8; 21:6; 22:13).

**E. He is unchanging.**

- Hebrews 13:8
- John 8:58; 18:6 with Exodus 3:14 ("I AM")  
Revelation 1:17, 18 ("the Living One")

**IV. Some claim that the death of Jesus Christ on the cross is proof that He could not have been God.**

**What evidence is given in scripture to refute this argument?**

**A. Jesus' death on the cross was not due to failure or weakness on His part. It was entirely voluntary.**

- Matthew 26:39, 42;
- Luke 22:42;
- John 10:17, 18
- Philippians 2:5-9

**B. It was the will of God that He suffer and die.**

- Isaiah 53:10 "*Yet it pleased the Lord to bruise Him...*"

**C. He even foretold His own death by crucifixion.**

- Matthew 20:18, 19; 16:21;
- Mark 8:31; 9:31; 10:32-34
- John 2:19, 21, 22; 12:23, 24, 32, 33

**D. He said that He had the power to lay down His life and had power to take it back again.**

- John 10:17, 18

**E. It was not necessary for Him to be defended, He said, for He could have called upon the Father to send 10,000 legions of angels for His protection.**

- Matthew 26:50-54

**F. He overcame death by rising again. The resurrection Alone should be sufficient evidence of His divinity.**

**V. Why was it necessary that He should become a man and die?**

**A. "... that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil."**

- Hebrews 2:14

**B. To "deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage."**

- Hebrews 2:15

**C. "... that He might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God ... in that He Himself hath suffered being tempted, He is able to**

succour them that are tempted."

- Hebrews 2:17, 18; 4:14-16

**D. "... to make reconciliation for the sins of the people."**

- Hebrews 2:17

**VI. The specific details of His birth, life, ministry, death, and resurrection, all in fulfillment of Old Testament Messianic prophecy, prove the Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.**

**A. His birth.**

**1. The virgin birth.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Isaiah 7:14
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:23, 24  
Luke 1:27, 31, 34, 35

**2. Birthplace: Bethlehem.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Micah 5:2
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 2:1, 6

**3. Date of birth.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Daniel 9:24

**4. The genealogy of Jesus Christ.**

**a. Of Abraham's seed.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Genesis 12:2, 3; 22:18
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:1;  
Galatians 3:16; Hebrews 2:16

**b. Descendant of Isaac.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Genesis 21:12
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:2; Luke  
3:23, 24

**c. Descendant of Jacob.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Genesis 35:10-12  
Numbers 24:17

- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:2; Luke 1:33; 3:23, 24
- d. **Of the tribe of Judah.**
    - Old Testament prophecy: Genesis 49:10
    - New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:3; Luke 3:33; Revelation 5:5
  - e. **Descendant of Jesse.**
    - Old Testament prophecy: Isaiah 11:1, 10
    - New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:6; Luke 3:23, 32
  - f. **Davidic lineage.**
    - Old Testament prophecy: 2 Samuel 7:12-14  
Jeremiah 23:5
    - New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 1:1; 9:27; 15:22; etc.
    - Acts 13:22, 23 Revelation 5:5; 22:16
5. **The flight into Egypt.**
    - Old Testament prophecy: Hosea 11:1
    - New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 2:14, 15

## **B. His life.**

**Jesus alone lived a sinless, perfect life, fully surrendered to the Father.**

- John 8:29; 14:30;
- 2 Corinthians 5:21
- Hebrews 4:15; 7:26; 9:14; 10:7
- 1 Peter 2:22; 1:19; 1 John 3:5

## **C. His ministry.**

**1. His manner of teaching was simplistic. He spoke in parables.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 49:1-4; 78:1, 2
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 13:34, 35; John 16:25

**2. He spoke with authority.**

**3. His works, the miracles He performed while here on earth, prove that Jesus Christ was more than a man.**

- Matthew 4:23, 24; 11:3-5;
- Mark 1:34
- John 9:32, 33; 10:37, 38; 21:25

**D. His death.**

**1. Betrayal of a friend.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 41:9
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 26:21-23; Mark 14:10

**2. Forsaken by disciples.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Zechariah 13:7
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 26:31, 32

**3. Betrayed for thirty pieces of silver.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Zechariah 11:12
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 26:15

**4. Potter's field bought with money.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Zechariah 11:13
- New Testament fulfillment. Matthew 27:1-8

**5. Falsely accused by testimonies of many witnesses.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 35:11
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 26:59, 60

**6. Dumb before His captors.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Isaiah 53:7
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 26:62, 63; 27:12, 14

**7. Scourged.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Isaiah 50:6
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 26:67; 27:26

**8. Crucified.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 22:16

- Old Testament prophecy: Isaiah 53:12
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 27:38; John 19:18

#### **10. His words while dying.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 22:1
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 27:46

#### **11. Vinegar and gall.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 22:15; 69:21
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 27:34, 48; John 19:28

#### **12. Scorned by men.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 22:6-8
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 27:39-44

#### **13. Wounded in hands and side.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Zechariah 12:10; 13:6
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 27:35; John 19:34

#### **14. None of His bones would be broken.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 34:20
- New Testament fulfillment: John 19:32, 33, 36

#### **15. Lots cast for His clothes.**

- Old Testament prophecy: Psalms 22:18
- New Testament fulfillment: Matthew 27:57-60; Mark 15:24

### **E. His resurrection.**

#### **1. Prophesied:**

- Psalms 16:10
- Acts 2:27; 13:35-37
- Matthew 16:21 (Mark 8:31)
- Matthew 12:38-40; 17:9, 22, 23; 20:18-19; 26:32; 27:63

John 2:19, 21, 22

**2. Fulfilled:**

- Matthew 28:6, etc.; Acts 13:30-37

**3. Proof that He bodily resurrected:**

- Acts 1:1-4 "He showed Himself alive!"
- Luke 24:36, 39 "... Jesus Himself stood in the midst of them ..."
- John 2:19, 21 "...He spake of the temple of His body!"

**a. He appeared visibly to many people. Acts 13:30-31**

1. First to Mary Magdalene. John 20:14, 18
2. Then to the other women. Matthew 28:9
3. To Peter. Luke 24:34; 1 Corinthians 15:5
4. To the Emmaus Road disciples. Luke 24:15
5. In the closed room, to ten disciples.  
Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19, 20
6. To the eleven. John 20:26, 29
7. In the mountains, to the eleven. Matthew 28:10, 17
8. At the sea, to Peter, Thomas, Nathanael, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples. John 21:1, 14, etc.
9. To 500 brethren at once. 1 Corinthians 15:6
10. To James, and to all the apostles. Acts 1:1-4;  
1 Corinthians 15:7
11. To Paul. Acts 9:3-6; 22:17-21; 23:11;  
1 Corinthians 15:8

**b. He talked with them.**

- Matthew 28:10, 18
- Luke 24:15-17, 25-27, 36-49
- John 20:15-18, 22, 23, 26-29; 21:5, 6, 10-2 2
- Acts 1:3

**c. He ate with them.**

- Luke 24:30, 35, 41-43

Society; Mormonism, etc.), do just that...

They "twist the scriptures to their own destruction." It is essential, therefore, that true believers have a firm foundation in Scripture relating to this teaching.