

WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

Jesus was God in human form. (Philippians 2:5-6) Jesus was both divine and human. He was sent into the world, so that the world through Him might be saved. (John 3:17) Jesus was in the beginning with God, (John 1:1) He is the second person of the Godhead. There was never a moment in Jesus' life when He suddenly "became God." He was God before He entered the world as a baby.

Jesus was miraculously born of a virgin woman named Mary. As a promise (predicted through divine inspiration) by Isaiah the prophet (Isaiah 7:14) hundreds of years before His birth. Mary was impregnated by the Holy Ghost, not of a sexual encounter, but by miracle. If God made man, surely he is able to put a child in the womb. Jesus' birth had to be without a man because if a man was involved, then Jesus would have had to take the nature that man. And the nature of man is sinful. Jesus had to be without sin, in order for His pure blood to atone for our sin.

He was born to save people from their sins. (Matthew 1:21)

Jesus is His name, Christ is His Title

The English name "Jesus" is a transliteration of the Greek name Iēsoûs. The name Iēsoûs is the Greek form of the Hebrew name Yeshua

Christ is His title, it's who He is and not His last name. Christ means "Anointed one" or "Chosen One"

His Deity

Deity means divine nature. Since Jesus is the Son of God, then that means He has the same nature, characteristics, and attributes of God the Father.

The deity of Christ means that Christ is God!

The attributes of God the Father are used in speaking of Christ Jesus.

- A) His omnipresence He is with His servants everywhere (Matthew 28:20)
- B) His omnipotence He has unlimited power. (Revelation 1:18)
- C) His omniscience He has unlimited knowledge. (John 21:17)
- D) His immutability He does not change. (Hebrews 13:8)

Jesus was called God.

God the Father addresses the Son as God.	Hebrews 1:8
Men called Him God	John 20:28
He declared Himself to be God	John 8:58,10:30

One of the foundational truths of the Christian faith (Christianity) is that Jesus Christ is truly God. He came into the world as a man and was totally sinless. (Hebrews 4:15, 2 Corinthians 5:21)

His Humanity

He hungered	Matthew 4:2	He wept	John 11:35
He was thirsty	John 19:28	He was tested	Hebrews 4:15
He grew tired	John 4:6	He died	Matthew 27:50

Christ came in human form to:

Further reveal the Father	John 1:18
Fulfill the law of Moses	Matthew 5:17-18
To die for the sins of the world	Matthew 20:28
Destroy the works of the devil	1 John 3:8
Be an example for Believer	1 Peter 2:21

His Work

- I. His Death
 - a. It was predetermined (planned or purposed before) Acts 2:23
 - b. It was voluntary (by free choice) John 10:17-18
 - c. It was vicarious (on behalf of others) 1 Peter 3:18
 - d. It was sacrificial (as an offering for sin) 1 Corinthians 5:7

- e. It was propitiatory (covering or make favorable) 1 John 4:10
 - f. It was redemptive (ransoming by payment) Galatians 4:4-5
 - g. It was substitutionary (in the place of others) 1 Peter 2:24
- II. His Resurrection
- a. The resurrection of Christ was necessary to fulfill prophecy, to complete the work of the cross, (Romans 4:25), and to enable Christ to begin His present work in Heaven.
 - b. Christ's resurrected body was real. (Luke 24:39) It was the same body that was crucified; it had the print of the nails and the spear wound. (John 20:27)
 - c. More than five hundred reliable witnesses saw Him after He arose. (1 Corinthians 15:6)

The resurrection of Christ is an important truth. If there had been no resurrection, there would be no Christian faith!

- III. His Ascension
- a. At the end of His earthly ministry, Jesus was carried up into Heaven. (Mark 16:19, Acts 1:9)

His Offices

Jesus Christ is presented in scripture as a Prophet, a Priest, and a King.

- A. As Prophet, He tell men what God has to say to them, and He thus reveals God to men. (Acts 3:22-23)
- B. As Priest, He represents believers before God. (Hebrews 4:14-16)
- C. As King, He reigns today in the hearts of those who are loyal to Him. In a coming day, He will reign on earth for one thousand years. (Revelation 17:14, 19:16)