

Though it is not possible for us to fully comprehend the nature of God, He has manifested Himself in the Bible as God the Father, God the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ) and God the Holy Spirit. To depreciate Jesus Christ or the Holy Spirit to less than God is to reduce the overall purpose and plan of God.

That is why the Bible gives its strongest warning to those who attempt to distort the doctrine of Christ: who Jesus is. II John 9-11 says, **"Whoever transgresses and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God. He who abides in the doctrine of Christ has both the Father and the Son. If anyone comes to you and does not bring this doctrine, do not receive him into your house nor greet him; for he who greets him shares in his evil deeds."**

May God give you wisdom as you consider your beliefs in the light of His Word.

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# JESUS IS GOD



**M**ost people would agree that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, but some are not certain He himself is God (the Son).

The primary source for determining the accuracy of any spiritual truth is the Holy Bible. Does the Bible clearly teach that Jesus is God? The answer is an emphatic, yes! Let's see what the Bible says about this, the principal doctrine of the Christian faith.

**JESUS IS THE WORD, AND THE WORD IS GOD:** "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the **Word was God ... and the Word became flesh.**" John 1:1, 14

**GOD BECAME A MAN:** "God was manifested in the flesh." I Tim. 3:16

**HIS DISCIPLES CALLED HIM GOD:** "And Thomas answered and said to Hirn, 'My Lord and my God!' " John 20:28

**JESUS SAID HE WAS EQUAL TO GOD THE FATHER:** " . . . he who has **seen Me** has **seen the Father.**" John 14:9 " . . . **Jesus** . . . did not consider it robbery to be **equal with God.**" Phil. 2:5-6

**THE OLD TESTAMENT SAYS HE IS GOD:** "Unto us **a Son** is given . . . and **His name shall be called** Wonderful, Counselor, **Mighty God,** Everlasting Father . . ." Isa. 9:6

## **JESUS HAS ALL OF THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD THE FATHER:**

**Jesus is the Creator** - John 1:1 & 3,  
Heb. 1:8 & 10, Col. 1 :15-16

**Jesus is Lord of Lords** - Rev. 17:14, I Cor. 8:6

**Jesus is the First and Last** - Rev. 1:17-18, Rev. 22:12-13, 20

**Jesus is Worshipped** - Heb. 1:6, Rev. 5:11-14

Since Jesus has all of the attributes of God the Father, He therefore must be equal with God the Father.

## **WHY DOES JESUS HAVE TO BE GOD?**

If Jesus Christ died for the sins of the world, then we must consider, who is this Jesus? Some people believe He is a created being. We have already shown that He is not. The Bible says He is the Creator. There is no creation that is the same as its creator. If Jesus was just a created person, then it severely limited God's actual involvement in redeeming His sinful creation. Instead of a loving God graciously coming to personally rescue His fallen creation, we have created a "fall guy" sent from heaven to do God's dirty work. Was God the Father passively viewing a mere creation carrying out His orders, rather than becoming actively involved by dying for His own creation in the person of Jesus Christ, God the Son?