WHO REALLY IS JESUS?

- **IS HE...?**
- •SON OF MAN?
- •SON OF GOD?
- •GOD?

Diamond in the rough



Many don't believe who Jesus really is

- Jews Only 1 God, Jehovah Deut 6:4
- Jehovah's Witnesses New World
 Translation says: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was a god." John 1:1
- Muslims They believe that Jesus is a prophet, but not the Son of God.

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Muslims - Their Quran (9:30) says:

"The Jews say, "Ezra is the son of Allah," while the Christians say, "The Messiah is the son of Allah." Such are their baseless assertions, only parroting the words of earlier disbelievers. May Allah condemn them! How can they be deluded 'from the truth'?"

LET'S PROVE THAT JESUS IS...

- 1) SON OF MAN
- 2) SON OF GOD
- 3) GOD

As our knowledge of Jesus grows, so does His beauty!



- Luke 1:30-35 Virgin birth
 - * Son of the Most High
 - * Father to give Him throne of David
 - * His kingdom will have no end

Historical figure

- * New Testament books
- * Secular Historians: Josephus, Tacitus, Pliny the Younger, etc.

Jesus called Himself "Son of Man"

- Approx. 70X
- Understood term's significance

- Daniel's vision: 7:9-10
- Ancient of days = God the Father
- White garment; hair like wool
- Seated on throne, a fiery flame
- Served by thousands

- Daniel's vision: 7:13-14
 Son of Man = Jesus
- Given dominion, glory, kingdom
- All nations to serve Him
- His kingdom to last forever

Jesus embraced title "Son of Man" Matt 24:30 "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."

The term "Son of Man"

- Emphasizes Jesus' humanity
- Demonstrates relationship w/ Father
- Symbolizes His plan to save mankind

- Jesus does not use "Son of God" as frequently
- BUT many people do: Disciples, centurion, John the Baptizer, Nathanael, Ethiopian eunuch

JESUS IS: 2) SON OF GOD Examples

<u>Disciples</u>: "Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the **Son of God**." Mt 14:33

John B.: "And I have seen and testified that this is the **Son of God**." Jn 1:34

<u>E.Eunuch</u>: "Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the <u>Son of God</u>." Acts 8:37

- How do we know Jesus is the Son of God?
- 1)He said He was
- 2)Others attested to that fact

Other reasons???

How do we know Jesus is the Son of God?

- 3) Father confirmed this verbally:
 - * At His baptism: Matthew 3:17
 - * At His transfiguration: Mark 9:7
- 4) Jesus' resurrection proved He is the Son of God: Romans 1:3-4
- 5) The writings of the apostles: John 20:30-31

The term "Son of God"

- Jesus used the title
- Many others also used it
- Emphasizes His intimate relation to His heavenly Father

The term "God" is used of Jesus

- Jesus is God, but not the Father
- He is God the Son
- Same essence, nature of the Father

<u>Isaiah 9:6-7</u> Descriptions of Jesus:

- wonderful, counselor, mighty God
- Is 10:21 mighty God refers to Jehovah also

John 1:1-4,14 Term "word" personified (1) "Word was God" → Jesus (2) In beginning w/ Father \rightarrow Jesus (3) All things made \rightarrow Jesus (14) Word became flesh, dwelt among them -> Jesus

John 8:56-59 Jesus says "I AM"

- Ref. to Exodus 3:13-14
- God to Moses: Tell the Jews that "I AM has sent me to you".
- Jesus saying "I AM" equated Him to Jehovah God

- Hebrews 1:1-9 God calls Jesus "God"!!

 (2,5) Son of God, heir of all things

 (3) Jesus: brightness of God's glory, express image of God, seated at His Father's right hand.

 (4-6) Jesus is better than & worshipped by angels
 - (8) Jesus is God, reigning as King forever
- (9) Therefore God (Jesus), Your God (Father) anointed You (Jesus) with oil of gladness

Jesus said only God should be worshipped, but:

LIST OF THOSE WHO WORSHIPPED JESUS

- 1) Angels
- 2) Man born blind
- 3) Wise men
- 4) Leper
- 5) Disciples
- 6) Canaanite woman
- 7) Women after His resurrection
- 8) Demon-possessed man

The term "God"

- Scriptures call Jesus "God"
- He has the attributes & essence of deity
- In Him dwells all the fulness of the Godhead