

# IS JESUS CHRIST THE SON OF GOD?

**As we examine the teaching of the Bible, it becomes clear that Christ is who He said He was - the Son of God!**

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*Note: Majority of scriptures are written in New Kings James Version.*

## What does the Gospel say about Jesus Christ?

**Mark believed Jesus was the Son of God.**

**Mark 1:1** - 'The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God as it is written in the Prophets.'

**Paul believed Jesus was the Son of God.**

**Acts 17:2-3** – As was Paul's custom, he went to the synagogue service, and for three Sabbaths in a row he used the Scriptures to reason with the people. He explained the prophecies and proved that the Messiah must suffer and rise from the dead. He said, "This Jesus I'm telling you about is the Messiah." (NLT)

**John believed Jesus was the Son of God.**

**John 20:30-31** - 'And 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.'

**1 John 3:8** - 'He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this reason, the Son of God was manifest, was to destroy the works of the devil.'

**Thomas worshipped Jesus as the Son of God.**

**John 20:28** - And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" (*Christ responded with commendation*).

**The angel Gabriel told Mary her child would be the Son of God.**

**Luke 1:35** - 'And the angel answered and said to 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.*'

**John the Baptist claimed Jesus Christ was the Son of God**

**John 1:33-34** '...He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'Upon who you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptized with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.'

### **Nathanael said Jesus was the Son of God**

**John 1:49** - 'Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!'

### **Martha believed Jesus was the Son of God**

**John 11:27** - 'She said to Him, "Yes Lord! I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world."

### **The centurion said Jesus was the Son of God**

**Matthew 27:54** - 'So when the centurion and those with Him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, stating, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

### **Many in the city of the Samaritans believe Jesus Christ is the Messiah**

**John 4:42** - 'Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed then the Christ, the Savior of the World."

### **Peter confesses Jesus Christ is the Son of God**

**Luke 9:20** - He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said, "The Christ of God.'

### **The demons called Jesus the Son of God**

**Matthew 8:29** - 'And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?"

**Luke 4:41** - 'And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, " "You are the Christ, the Son of God!" And He, rebuking them, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ.

**Mark 3:11** - 'And the unclean spirits, whenever they saw Him, fell down before Him and cried out, saying, "You are the Son of God.

**Matthew 27:54** - So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

## Jesus claimed He was the Son of God

· **Mark 14:61-62** - 'But He kept silent and answered nothing. Again, the high priest asked Him, saying to Him, "Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed." Jesus said, "I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the power and coming with the clouds of heaven."

*Caiaphas and the Sanhedrin understood in Jesus saying he was "the Son of Man" who would come "on the clouds of heaven" was making a clear reference to the Son of Man in Daniel's prophecy - **Daniel 7:13-14***

· **John 4:25-26** - 'The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" who is called Christ, "when He comes, He will tell us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

· **John 9:35-37** - 'Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him," Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said," Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" And Jesus said to Him," You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you."

· **Matthew 26:63-64** - 'But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!" Jesus said to Him, "It is as you said..."

· **Matthew 24:5** - "For many will come in My Name saying, I am the Christ."

· **Matthew 27:43** - He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, "I am the Son of God."

· **John 5:25** – "Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live."

· **John 11:4** - 'When Jesus heard that, He said, "This sickness is not unto death but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it."

- **John 10:31-33** - Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For

which of those works do you stone Me?” The Jews answered Him, saying, “For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God.

### **Jesus implied He was the Son of God**

- **Matthew 16:15-17** - He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.
- **John 11:4** - ‘When Jesus heard that, He said, “This sickness is not unto death but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it.”
- **Matthew 27:42- 43** - ‘He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the king of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, ‘I Am the Son of God.’”

### **Jesus stated He and the Father were not only one, but also equal to each other**

- **John 14:9** – ‘Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and yet you have not known Me, Philip? He who has seen Me, has seen the Father; so how can you say, ‘Show us the Father?’
- **John 13:13** - “You call Me Teacher and Lord; and you are right, for so I am.”

*The New Testament was originally written in Greek. The Greek word for “Lord” is Kurios, meaning “God—supreme in authority.”*

- **John 5:22-23** – ‘For as the Father raises the dead, and gives life to them, even so, the Son gives life to whom He will. For the Father judges no one but has committed all judgement to the Son, that all should honour the Son just as they honour the Father. He who does not honour the Son does not honour the Father who sent Him.’
- **John 5:17-18** - ‘But Jesus answered them, “My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.” Therefore, the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.”

· **John 10:27-33** - 'My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand. I and My Father are one.

Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God."

### **How could Jesus be God, if He is God's Son?**

In Paul's letter to the Colossians, Paul makes reference to Jesus Christ as the "*firstborn over all creation*" - **Colossians 1:15**

**Colossians 1:15-16** "*He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him.*"

You may ask, how could Christ be both the eternal creator of all things and yet Himself be referred to as the firstborn?

In referring to Christ as the firstborn, Paul has in mind preeminence, superiority, supremacy and distinction.

We also see the term 'firstborn' used in the Old Testament.

Ephraim is referred to as the Lord's 'firstborn' even though his brother Manasseh was born first and therefore older. **Jeremiah 31:9 / Genesis 41:51.**

King David, we discover is appointed as the Lord's "*firstborn, the most exalted of the kings of the earth*" - **Psalms 89:27.**

This is despite being the youngest of all of Jesse's sons - **1 Samuel 16:10-13.**

Neither Ephraim nor David were the first to be born, but they were firstborn in the sense of preeminence or "prime position".

Paul refers to Jesus Christ as the firstborn over all of the creation, not the firstborn in creation. As such, "*He is before all things and in him, all things hold together*" - **Colossians 1: 17.**

Because of Paul's clarity, the Jehovah's Witnesses community have been forced to insert the word "other" (e.g. "all other things") in their New World Translation of the Bible to relegate Christ to the status of a created being grossly, biblically incorrect. The arrangement of scripture is very clear.

**Hebrews 1:10** - 'Jesus Christ is said to be the One who "laid the foundations of the earth."

In **Revelations 22:13**, Christ refers to Himself as "the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End" in the last New Testament book

It is abundantly clear that Jesus Christ is the preexistent Sovereign of the universe.

## Jesus claimed to be I Am

- **Exodus 3:14–15** - ‘When Moses asked God for His name, the response was a surprising “I AM WHO I AM... This is my name forever”.

Jesus referred to Himself as –‘I Am.’ When God initially revealed Himself to Moses at the burning bush He referred to Himself as - ‘I Am.’ Christ used the exact same description that God used to reveal Himself to Moses, unmistakably claiming to be God.

To the Jews, this was blasphemy in the extreme, as they knew Jesus was very clearly claiming to be God Himself.

- **John 8:58** - ‘Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM.”

## The charge against Jesus was that He claimed to be the Son of God

- **Luke 22:70-71** - ‘Then they all said, “Are You then the Son of God?” So, He said to them, “You rightly say that I am.” And they said, “What further testimony do we need? For we have heard it ourselves from His own mouth.”

- **John 10:36** - ‘...do you say of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world. ‘You are blaspheming, ‘because I said, ‘I am the Son of God”?’

- **John 5:17-18** - ‘But Jesus answered them, “My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.” Therefore, the Jews sought all the more to kill Him, because He not only broke the Sabbath, but also said that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God.”

- **John 10:30-33** - “I and My Father are one.” Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, “Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?” The Jews answered Him,

saying, “For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God.”

- **John 19:7** – ‘The Jews answered Him, “We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die because He made Himself the Son of God.”’
- **Matthew 26:63-64** - ‘But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, “I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!” Jesus said to him, “It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power and coming on the clouds of heaven.”’

### **Jesus declared He was salvation**

- **John 3:16** – ‘For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.’
- **John 6:47** - ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me has everlasting life.’
- **John 14:6** - ‘I am the way the truth and the Life no one comes to the Father except through Me.’
- **John 11:25** - “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.”

### **God’s supernatural voice from heaven**

- **Matthew 17:5-7** – ‘While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!” And when the disciples heard *it*, they fell on their faces and were greatly afraid. But Jesus came and touched them and said, “Arise, and do not be afraid.”
- **Matthew 3:15-18** – ‘But Jesus answered and said to him, “Permit *it to be* so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness.” Then he allowed Him. When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

## Jesus lived a sinless life

Jesus demonstrated he was God in human flesh by manifesting the credentials of sinlessness.

- **2 Corinthians 5:21** - 'For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
- **1 John 3:5** - Peter says, Jesus committed no sin.. ' And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him, there is no sin.'
- **1 Peter 2:23** - 'who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed *Himself* to Him who judges righteously.'
- **John 8:46** - 'Which of you convicts Me of sin? And if I tell the truth, why do you not believe Me?'
- **Hebrews 4:15** - ' For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.'
- **1 Peter 2:22** – 'who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth;'
- **John 19:4** – 'Pilate then went out again, and said to them, "Behold, I am bringing Him out to you, that you may know that I find no fault in Him.'
- **John 8:29** – 'And He who sent Me is with Me; He has not left Me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to Him.'
- **Isaiah 53:9** – 'And they made His grave with the wicked, But with the rich at His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was any deceit in His mouth.'
- **1 Peter 1:18-19** – 'Knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.'

## Jesus said He had the authority to judge the nations

### · **Matthew 25:31-46**

31 - When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His Glory.

32 - All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides *his* sheep from the goats.

33 - And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

34 - 'Then the king will say to those on His right hand,' Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'

41 - 'Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels.'

46 - 'And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

*Revelation Jesus will come back on a white horse.  
God left judgement to His Son.*

### **Jesus the sum of all things.**

· **John 1:1-4** - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him, nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

· **John 5:24-27** - "Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life. Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself and has given Him authority to execute judgment also because He is the Son of Man

· **John 5:37-40** - 'And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me. You have neither heard His voice at any time nor seen His form. But you do not have His word abiding in you, because whom He sent, Him you do not believe. You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. But you are not willing to come to Me that you may have life.

· **Colossians 2:9-10** - 'For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily; and you are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.'

· **Romans 10:4** - 'For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.'

· **Galatians 4:4-5** – 'But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

- **Luke 24:51** - 'Now it came to pass, while He blessed them, that He was carried up into heaven.
- **Colossians 1:13-14** - 'He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.'
- **Romans 10:9** - '...that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.'
- **Colossians 1:15-19** - He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him, all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.
- **Matthew 28:20** - '...I am with you even to the end of the age.'
- **1 John 3:8** - 'He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose, the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.'

### **Jesus pronounces the sins of others, forgiven - making Himself to be one with God**

- **Luke 5:20** - 'When He saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you.'

### **Jesus said He is the first and last**

- **Revelation 1:17** - 'And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last."
- **Revelation 22:13** - "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."

### **Jesus was fully man and also fully God**

· **1 Timothy 3:16** - ‘...God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory.’

### **How could Jesus be God, if He is God’s Son?**

Calling Jesus Christ, God’s Son - identifies Jesus' role to God the Father. Jesus was never conceived by two parents – Joseph and Mary. He was born of a miraculous work by the Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ was born into this world holy and without sin. The phrase ‘God has a Son’ does not mean that God had a wife! - God has never had a wife and He has never procreated as humans were created by God to do. Jesus Christ born of a virgin should not appear impossible given God’s divine work in creating the heavens and the earth with such incredible details. The natural mind struggles to comprehend anything supernatural as the mind is locked into this material world.

The Son of Man is a title that was used exclusively by Jesus - His disciples never addressed Him as such. Jesus used it to emphasize His humanity. The title goes back to the Book of Daniel where the Son of Man would inherit the everlasting kingdom of God. It is a designation of the Messiah. At His trial, Jesus acknowledged that He indeed was the Son of Man - the one who would bring in God's everlasting kingdom. When the religious leaders heard this they accused Him of blasphemy - making Himself equal with God. The purpose of the title seems to be Jesus' own emphasis on His humanity.

**Matthew 1:20** – ‘But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

The gospel of Luke was written by a medical doctor. If anyone knew the impossibility of a virgin birth, it was Luke—yet, after careful research, he concluded that it was a fact even though he was never an eye witness as many others were.

· **Romans 10:9** - that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

**Jesus supported his claim to be God by the miracles He did**

· **Matthew 11:2-5** - And when John had heard in prison about the works of Christ, he sent two of his disciples and said to Him, “Are You the Coming One, or do we look for another?” Jesus answered and said to them, “Go and tell John the things which you hear and see: *The* blind see and *the* lame walk; *the* lepers are cleansed and *the* deaf hear; *the* dead are raised up and *the* poor have the gospel preached to them.’

· **John 10:37- 38** - ‘If I do not do the works of My Father, do not believe Me, but if I do, though you do not believe Me, believe the works, that you may know and believe that the Father is in Me, and I in Him.”

· **John 3:2** - ‘This man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, “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 20:30-31** - ‘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 7:30-31** - ‘Therefore, they sought to take Him; but no one laid a hand on Him, because His hour had not yet come. And many of the people believed in Him, and said,” When the Christ comes, will He do more signs than these which this Man had done?”

#### **Further miracles performed by Jesus Christ:**

· Jesus Christ raised Lazarus from the dead (**John 11:1-44**)

· Jesus changed the water into wine at (**John 2:1-11**)

· Healing the royal official's son in Capernaum (**John 4:46-54**)

· Healing the paralytic at Bethesda (**John 5:1-15**)

· Feeding the 5000 (**John 6:1-14**)

· Jesus walked on the water (**John 6:15-21**)

· Healing the man blind from birth (**John 9:1-12**)

· Jesus commands the storm to stop (**Mark 4:35-41**)

· Jesus delivered possessed man (**Luke 4:31-37**)

· Healing the man blind from birth (**John 9:1-12**)

· Jesus healed all kinds of diseases (**Matthew 4:23-25**)

## **Jesus claimed He was in the Old Testament**

**John 5:39** (NLT) - “You [Jewish people] diligently study the Scriptures [which at that time were the books of the Tanak/Old Testament] but the scriptures point to me.”

**Luke 24:25-27** (NLT) – ‘Then Jesus said to them, “You foolish people! You find it so hard to believe all that the prophets wrote in the Scriptures. Wasn’t it clearly predicted that the Messiah would have to suffer all these things before entering his glory?” Then Jesus took them through the writings of Moses and all the prophets, explaining from all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

David spoke of Christ in Psalm 16:8-11 and Peter refers to this in:

**Acts 2:30-31**- ‘Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne, he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption.

Therefore, it is not unexpected that we, too, should find Jesus present in the events and the predictions found in the Old Testament.

## **Some Old Testament prophecies concerning the sufferings of the Messiah and their actual fulfilment in Jesus in the New Testament.**

We are told the Messiah would come in humility - (Zechariah 9:9, Matthew 21:6-9)

He would be sold for 30 pieces of silver - (Zechariah 11:12, Matthew 26:15)

He would suffer tremendously - (Isaiah 50:6, Matthew 26:67)

He would be pierced and scourged - (Isaiah 53:5, Matthew 27:26, John 19:34)

He would not speak in His own defence- (Isaiah 53:7, Matthew 27:12-14)

He would be slain - (Isaiah 53:8, Luke 23:46)

He would die among thieves and intercede for the transgressors - (Isaiah 53:12, Matthew 27:38, Luke 23:34)

He would be mocked - (Psalm 22:7-8, Matthew 27:31)

He would have his hands, side and feet pierced - (Psalm 22:16-17, Zechariah 12:10, John 19:37 John 20:25-28)

He would have lots cast for His garments - (Psalm 22:18, John 19:23-24)

He would not have his bones broken - (Psalm 34:20, John 19:1)

He would suffer for the sins of the world - (Isaiah 53:6-12, 1 Peter 2:21-25, Romans 4:25)

It was also recorded that Jesus Christ the Messiah would enter Jerusalem in Triumph and the people would celebrate- (Zechariah 9:9-10; Matthew 21:9; Mark 11:9; Luke 19:38; John 12:13).

One week later the Messiah would be betrayed by Judas, one of the disciples - (Psalm 69:25; The disciple brings this out in Acts 1:20).

It is prophesied accurately that Jesus would be killed with the “wicked” ones, yet He would be buried with the rich one. – (Isaiah 53:9)

### **Old Testament predictions that the Messiah would be born of a virgin**

- **Isaiah 7:14** - ‘Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign; Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son and shall call His name Immanuel (Immanuel means God with us).

- **Matthew 1:21:23** – the angel Gabriel appears to Mary and Joseph and said - “...And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus for He will save His people from their sins.” So, all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet saying, “Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,” which is translated, “God with us.” (Isaiah 7:14)

**Isaiah 7:14** - ‘Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel. Matthew shows that Jesus born of a virgin was forecast by the prophet Isaiah 800 years prior. The use of the words “God is with us” describes who Jesus is - God!’

### **His birthplace would be Bethlehem**

- **Micah 5:2** - “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, 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.”

· **Matthew 2:1-6** - ‘Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.” When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. 4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. So they said to him, “In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it is written by the prophet: ‘But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, Are not the least among the rulers of Judah; For out of you shall come a Ruler who will shepherd My people Israel.’”

### **John the Baptist would be his forerunner**

**Isaiah 40:3-5** –‘The voice of one crying in the wilderness: “Prepare the way of the Lord;  
Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.  
Every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill brought low;  
The crooked places shall be made straight and the rough places smooth; the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

(Malachi 3:1, Matthew 3:3, Mark 1:3; Luke 3:4-6)

### **The return of the Messiah - The Son of God**

· **Matthew 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.’

· **Revelation 19:20-21** – ‘Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness, He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.’

