

THE INCARNATION OF THE SON OF GOD

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There are three major objectives for this study. They are: (1) prove that the Lord Jesus Christ was virgin born; (2) prove that the Lord Jesus Christ is sinless; (3) and to prove that the Lord Jesus Christ is God Almighty manifest in the flesh.

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WAS VIRGIN BORN

Let us start today with the virgin birth by reading *Isaiah 7:14*, *Matthew 1:18-25*, and *Luke 1:26-35*:

¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; **Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,** and shall call his name Immanuel. *Isaiah 7:14*

¹⁸ Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. ¹⁹ Then Joseph her husband, being a just *man*, and not willing to make her a publick example, was minded to put her away privily. ²⁰ But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. ²¹ And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. ²² Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, ²³ **Behold, a virgin shall be with child,** and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us. ²⁴ Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife: ²⁵ And knew her not till she had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name JESUS. *Matthew 1:18-25*

²⁶ **And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,** ²⁷ **To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.** ²⁸ And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, *thou that art* highly favoured, the Lord *is* with thee: blessed *art* thou among women. ²⁹ And when she saw *him*, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. ³⁰ And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. ³¹ And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. ³² He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: ³³ And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end. ³⁴ **Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?** ³⁵ And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which

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shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God. *Luke 1:26-35*

When taken together, *Isaiah 7:14*, *Matthew 1:18-25*, and *Luke 1:26-35* prove that the Lord Jesus Christ was virgin born. If the Lord Jesus Christ was not virgin born of the Holy Ghost, then he could not be our Saviour because he would have received the original sin nature that comes through the blood of the man. The blood of the Lord Jesus Christ is the blood of God. *Acts 20:28* states:

²⁸ Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. *Acts 20:28*

The Lord Jesus Christ is both revealed and manifested in the Old Testament in a way that most Christians have never been taught. I say that knowing full well that the Lord Jesus Christ is mentioned over 1,000 times in the New Testament. Glory to his name! If you neglect the Old Testament, then you neglect the greatest revelation of the person, the power, the majesty, and the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ contained in your Bibles. That is especially true of the book of Isaiah which I sometimes call the Gospel of the Old Testament. A few pages down we more fully tie the Lord Jesus Christ into the book of Isaiah. Next we deal with the issue of a sinless Saviour.

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS SINLESS

The New Testament has five passages of scripture that deal specifically with the sinless nature of the Lord Jesus Christ. These passages are *2 Corinthians 5:20-21*, *1 Peter 2:21-22*, *Hebrews 4:14-16*, *1 John 3:2-5*. These passages state:

²⁰ Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. ²¹ For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, **who knew no sin**; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him. *2 Corinthians 5:20-21*

²¹ For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: ²² **Who did no sin**, neither was guile found in his mouth: *1 Peter 2:21-22*

¹⁴ Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast *our* profession. ¹⁵ For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but **was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin**. ¹⁶ Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Hebrews 4:14-16*

² Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be:

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but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. ³ And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. ⁴ Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. ⁵ **And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.** *1 John 3:2-5*

The 11 (eleven) verses I just read are most critical for our salvation. If the Lord Jesus Christ sinned, then he cannot be our Saviour because God requires a sinless sacrifice for our sin. These four passages say he knew no sin, he did no sin, was without sin, and that in him was no sin. *Hebrews 4:15* says that the Lord Jesus Christ “**was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin**”. The Lord Jesus Christ was not tempted because he could sin, but to show us that he could not sin. He could not sin because he is God manifest in the flesh. The fifth passage that deals with the sinless nature of the Lord Jesus Christ is in *Hebrews 9:28* where it is written:

²⁸ So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. *Hebrews 9:28*

Hebrews 9:28 says that the Lord Jesus Christ will appear the **SECOND TIME WITHOUT SIN** unto salvation. His first appearance was during his earthly ministry during the first advent. His second appearance without sin will be at the second advent. So, we have a perfect, virgin born, sinless Saviour in the Lord Jesus Christ who had God’s blood pumping through his veins. The third critical aspect of our salvation is that the Lord Jesus Christ must be God to be our Saviour. God requires a sinless sacrifice for the atonement of sin. Only God can be, and is, sinless. Only God can raise himself from the dead. Only God can raise sinful men from physical and spiritual death. The fact that the Lord Jesus Christ is God is one of the most hotly contested topics between Bible rejecting heretics and Bible believing Christians.

THE LORD JESUS CHRIST IS GOD MANIFEST IN FLESH

When we state that the Lord Jesus Christ is **GOD MANIFEST IN THE FLESH**, we are stating his deity. Put another way we are stating that he is God. PERIOD. While it is not the objective of this study to give an exhaustive presentation of the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ, it is our objective to scripturally destroy any argument that would deny that the Lord Jesus Christ is God. If the Lord Jesus Christ is not God, then you do not have a Saviour that can deliver you from the condemnation and damnation of the fires of hell and the lake of fire.

Many apostate and heretical Bible correctors falsely state that the Lord Jesus Christ never directly stated he was God, or, he never directly stated that he was the Son of God. Because many past and present Bible translators do not believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is God, they also reject any statements by the Lord Jesus Christ, the apostles, and other Bible characters that refer to the Lord Jesus Christ as “God” or “the Son of God”. These modern day scholars have the dubious distinction of denying even that which Satan, the devils, and unclean spirits knew and publicly acknowledged

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numerous times in the New Testament. It would be ludicrous for any professing Christian to deny the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ after having read the Bible in its entirety. In fact, it goes way beyond being ludicrous. It would be absurd. It would be the ultimate expression of self imposed willful blindness and stupidity. Not only did the Lord Jesus Christ say that he is the Son of God, others also said that he said he is the Son of God.

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

⁷ The Jews answered him, We have a law, and by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God. *John 19:7*

³⁵ Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? ³⁶ He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him? ³⁷ And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee. *John 9:35-37*

³⁶ Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God? *John 10:36*

These are not the only instances of the Lord Jesus Christ being referred to as the “Son of God”. We have direct statements from: a group of disciples in a boat in *Matthew 14:43*; Mark in *Mark 1:1*; Paul in *Acts 9:20, Romans 1:4, 1 Corinthians 1:19; Galatians 2:20, Hebrews 4:14*; Satan in *Matthew 4:3-6* and *Luke 4:3-14*; devils and unclean spirits in *Matthew 8:29, Mark 3:11, Luke 4:41, Luke 8:28*; Peter in *Matthew 16:16*; the centurion in *Mark 15:39* and *Matthew 27:54*; the angel Gabriel in *Luke 1:35*; John the Baptist in *John 1:34*; Nathaniel in *John 1:49*; Martha in *John 11:27*; the apostle John in *John 20:31, 1 John 3:8, 1 John 4:15, 1 John 5:5*; and Jesus himself in *John 9:35-37, John 10:36, John 11:4*. Those are not nearly all of the occurrences.

The Lord Jesus Christ is referred to as the “Son of God” 53 times in 52 verses in the New Testament. The “Son of God” is the title and representation of his deity in the New Testament. The Lord Jesus Christ is directly referred to as the “Son of man” 88 times in 84 verses in the New Testament. I have studied all 141 of those references in context. The “Son of man” is the title and the representation of his humanity in the New Testament. When putting these two presentations of the Lord Jesus Christ together, many state that he is 100% God and 100% man. A theological term that is used to express that relationship is “The God-Man”. There is only one God-Man and that is the Lord Jesus Christ. There will never be another one. A Biblical term that is used to describe this relationship is “(the) Godhead”. *Colossians 2:8-9* states:

⁸ Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. ⁹ For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. *Colossians 2:8-9*

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What that means is that in the body of the Lord Jesus Christ dwells God the Father and God the Holy Ghost. The God-Man is an everlasting being. The reason we state that is because there is a specific point in time where we can point to and say that the God-Man came into existence. He will never cease to exist in that manifestation. *1 Timothy 3:16* states:

¹⁶ And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory. *1 Timothy 3:16*

That word “manifest” is in the present continuous tense which means it never ceases to manifest. Notice that *1 Timothy 3:16* says that that flesh was received up into glory! It is still there in waiting for his appearance before his Jewish brethren! The Bible also states that anyone who refuses to acknowledge that the Lord Jesus Christ came in the flesh is under the control of the spirit of antichrist. Here is what *1 John 4:1-3* and *2 John 7* have to say:

¹ Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. ² Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: ³ And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that *spirit* of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. *1 John 4:1-3*

⁷ For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. *2 John 7*

The Lord Jesus Christ was not robed in flesh. That is another heresy akin to the false doctrine of Incarnational Sonship. *John 1:14* says that the Lord Jesus Christ, the Word was **MADE** flesh. He did not become flesh. He was not robed in flesh. A robe is something you can put on and take off at will. The Lord Jesus Christ was made the everlasting God-Man at the incarnation the instant he was conceived of the Holy Ghost in the womb of the virgin Mary. Mary was not the Immaculate Conception. Mary was a sinner in need of a Saviour which she acknowledged in *Luke 1:46-47*. Mary said:

⁴⁶ And Mary said, My soul doth magnify the Lord, ⁴⁷ And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. *Luke 1:46-47*

If Mary was sinless she would not have had the need of a Saviour. The Lord Jesus Christ was the Immaculate Conception that was conceived in the womb of the virgin Mary. Many of my Baptist brethren do not put enough emphasis on the virgin Mary because of their reaction to professing Christians who worship Mary and put her in roles that contradict the scriptures. Mary was not a perpetual virgin. She had a total of at least seven children. What I am saying is that Jesus had at least four half brothers and two half sisters. *Mark 6:3* says:

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³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him. *Mark 6:3*

Mary is not God. Mary is not to be worshipped. Mary is not a co-redeemer or a co-mediator. Mary is not the mother of God. Mary is the mother of the everlasting God-Man. Mary is a sinner just like you and I “for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God” (*Romans 3:23*). Here is what Bible believers should consider about the virgin Mary. Out of the many billions of women that have inhabited this earth, Mary is the only one that God chose to give birth to the Son of God. That means she was very blessed among women. That means that she was a very special woman. Though we believe there were many more not stated, there are only two individuals in the Bible of whom it is specifically stated that they found favour with God. Those two individuals are the Lord Jesus Christ and the virgin Mary. Mary is the only individual in the Bible of whom it is specifically stated that they are “highly favoured”. Thank God for the virgin Mary!

We know that the Lord Jesus Christ will continue as the everlasting God-Man because he will appear in his crucified flesh before the Jewish people. That is documented in *Zechariah 12:10*, *Zechariah 13:6*, *John 19:37*, and *Revelation 1:7*:

¹⁰ And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for *his* only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for *his* firstborn. *Zechariah 12:10*

⁶ And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which I was wounded *in* the house of my friends. *Zechariah 13:6*

³⁷ And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced. *John 19:37*

⁷ Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they *also* which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. *Revelation 1:7*

The wounds and piercing in these three passages of scripture are not scars. The song “One Nail Scarred Hand” would be more appropriately named “One Nail Pierced Hand”.

Lest we forget, I would remind everyone that the Son of God is an eternal being. According to *Micah 5:2* “his goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. *Habakkuk 1:12* states: “Art thou not from everlasting, O LORD my God, mine Holy One?”. What that means is that if you could walk back in time for ever and ever, you could never find a point in time where the Son of God did not exist. That is baffling! So, what is time? Time is the space between two events. The Lord Jesus Christ, like God the Father, is self existing. God said in *Exodus 3:13-14*:

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¹³ And Moses said unto God, Behold, *when* I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What *is* his name? what shall I say unto them? ¹⁴ And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. *Exodus 3:13-14*

The Lord Jesus Christ stated the he is the “I AM” of *Exodus 3:13-14* in *John 8:57-59*:

⁵⁷ Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? ⁵⁸ Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. ⁵⁹ Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so passed by. *John 8:57-59*

That and the next two scripture quotes are yet another show stopping stone wall for the apostates and heretics that falsely claim that Jesus never said he was God. In *Matthew 4:7* and *Luke 4:12* the Holy Ghost saith:

⁷ Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. *Matthew 4:7*

¹² And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. *Luke 4:12*

Matthew 4:7 and *Luke 4:12* are in the center of two extended passages where Satan is tempting the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord Jesus Christ clearly rebuked Satan by telling him that, “It is written, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God”. Christ clearly told Satan he was tempting God in the person of himself, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 1:1-3 says that the Lord Jesus Christ is stated by the Holy Ghost to be the “**EXPRESS IMAGE**” of God:

¹ God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, ² Hath in these last days spoken unto us by *his* Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; ³ Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; *Hebrews 1:1-3*

We also know that the Lord Jesus Christ existed before the incarnation, because the New Testament says that he is the creator. *John 1:1-3, 14* says:

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was

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God.² The same was in the beginning with God.³ All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. *John 1:1-3*

¹⁴ And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. *John 1:14*

I would remind each of us that it was that WORD manifest in flesh that SPOKE everything into existence. The Holy Ghost used the apostle Paul to shed more light on God's purpose for the creation. *Colossians 1:12-17* says:

¹² Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: ¹³ Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son: ¹⁴ In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins: ¹⁵ Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: ¹⁶ For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether *they be* thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. *Colossians 1:12-17*

We would refer you to *Proverbs 8:22-30*, *Proverbs 30:4*, and *Daniel 3:25*:

²² The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. ²³ I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. ²⁴ When *there were* no depths, I was brought forth; when *there were* no fountains abounding with water. ²⁵ Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth: ²⁶ While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. ²⁷ When he prepared the heavens, I *was* there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: ²⁸ When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: ²⁹ When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: ³⁰ Then I was by him, *as* one brought up *with him*: and I was daily *his* delight, rejoicing always before him;

⁴ Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what *is* his name, and what *is* his son's name, if thou canst tell? *Proverbs 30:4*

²⁵ He answered and said, Lo, I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire, and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God. *Daniel 3:25*

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Proverbs chapter 8 is the Wisdom of God personified. *Proverbs 8:22-23* clearly states that Wisdom is from everlasting. *Proverbs 30:4* is a clear statement that God has a Son. *Daniel 3:25* was one fulfillment of God's promise to Israel in *Isaiah 43:1-3*:

¹ But now thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called *thee* by thy name; thou *art* mine. ² When thou passest through the waters, I *will be* with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. ³ For I *am* the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: I gave Egypt *for* thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee. *Isaiah 43:1-3*

The Lord Jesus Christ and the apostle Paul clearly state that he, that is the Lord Jesus Christ, is the Wisdom of God in the New Testament. Notice *Matthew 23:34-35*, *Matthew 11:19*, *Luke 7:34-35*, *Luke 11:49-51*, and *1 Corinthians 1:22-24* where it is written:

³⁴ Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes: and *some* of them ye shall kill and crucify; and *some* of them shall ye scourge in your synagogues, and persecute *them* from city to city: ³⁵ That upon you may come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth, from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar. *Matthew 23:34-35*

¹⁹ The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man gluttonous, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children. *Matthew 11:19*

³⁴ The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluttonous man, and a winebibber, a friend of publicans and sinners! ³⁵ But wisdom is justified of all her children. *Luke 7:34-35*

⁴⁹ Therefore also said the wisdom of God, I will send them prophets and apostles, and *some* of them they shall slay and persecute: ⁵⁰ That the blood of all the prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world, may be required of this generation; ⁵¹ From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias, which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you, It shall be required of this generation. *Luke 11:49-51*

²² For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: ²³ But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness; ²⁴ But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God. *1 Corinthians 1:22-24*

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In relation to walking through the fires, The Holy One of Israel is mentioned in verse 3 of Isaiah chapter 43. That Holy One is a preincarnate manifestation of the Lord Jesus Christ. That Holy One is identified as the Lord Jesus Christ six times in the New Testament. Those passages are *Mark 1:23-24*, *Luke 4:33-34*, *Acts 2:27*, *Acts 3:12-15*, *Acts 13:33-37*, and *1 John 2:20*. In two of those passages, *Mark 1:24* and *Luke 4:34* even the devils and unclean spirits acknowledge that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Holy One of Israel. We quote those passages here for your edification:

²³ And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out,
²⁴ Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God. *Mark 1:23-24*

³³ And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴ Saying, Let *us* alone; what have we to do with thee, *thou* Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God. *Luke 4:33-34*

²⁷ Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. *Acts 2:27*

¹² And when Peter saw *it*, he answered unto the people, Ye men of Israel, why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk? ¹³ The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go. ¹⁴ But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; ¹⁵ And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses. *Acts 3:12-15*

³³ God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee. ³⁴ And as concerning that he raised him up from the dead, *now* no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David. ³⁵ Wherefore he saith also in another *psalm*, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. ³⁶ For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: ³⁷ But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption. *Acts 13:33-37*

²⁰ But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things. *1 John 2:20*

One of my desires in this study is to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ as God manifest in the flesh and to show him as being inseparable from the LORD of the book of Isaiah. He is the great subject of the

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book of Isaiah. Many students of the Bible know that the book of Isaiah is a microcosm of the entire Bible. It has 66 chapters that parallel the 66 books of the Bible. In the Isaiah narrative, there is a clear line of doctrinal demarcation between chapters 39 and 40 that mirrors the division of the Old and the New Testaments: 39 Old Testament books and 27 New Testament books for a total of 66 books. As a reminder, the phrase “Holy One” occurs 30 times in the book of Isaiah; the capitalized form of “Redeemer” seven times; the lower case form of “redeemer” six times; and S(s)aviour eight times (6 in upper case, 2 in lower case): all 51 of these are in reference to the Lord Jesus Christ who is Jehovah manifest in the flesh. The book of Isaiah contains many confirmations of the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. The book of Isaiah uses the word “LORD” in all capitals letters 427 times. That is Jehovah. Though penned by the prophet Zechariah, Zechariah chapter 12 plainly states through the pen of Zechariah and the mouth of Jehovah (LORD 5 times) that it was Jehovah that was crucified on the cross at Calvary. See page 6 for the earlier discussion.

Isaiah 41:4, Isaiah 44:6, and Isaiah 48:12 when taken together with *Revelation 1:8, Revelation 1:11, Revelation 21:6, and Revelation 22:13* prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that the Lord Jesus Christ is Jehovah manifest in flesh. These passages state:

⁴ Who hath wrought and done *it*, calling the generations from the beginning? I the **LORD, the first, and with the last;** I am he. *Isaiah 41:4*

⁶ Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the **LORD** of hosts; **I am the first, and I am the last;** and beside me *there is* no God. *Isaiah 44:6*

¹² Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; **I am he; I am the first, I also am the last.** *Isaiah 48:12 (This is an extended passage. You have to go all the way back to Isaiah 45:18 to clearly establish that it is the LORD (Jehovah) speaking)*

⁸ **I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending,** saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, **the Almighty.** *Revelation 1:8*

¹¹ Saying, **I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last;** and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send *it* unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea. *Revelation 1:11*

⁶ And he said unto me, It is done. **I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.** I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. *Revelation 21:6*

¹³ **I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.** *Revelation 22:13*

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Put yet another way, when all these scriptures are taken together, they prove that the Lord Jesus Christ of the book of Revelation is the Jehovah (LORD) of the book of Isaiah. He is God manifest in flesh (*1 Timothy 3:16*). We have yet another unbreakable connection between the LORD (Jehovah) of Isaiah and the Lord Jesus Christ of the New Testament. Let us quote *Isaiah 45:21-24*, *Romans 14:10-11*, and *Philippians 2:5-11*:

²¹ Tell ye, and bring *them* near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? *who* hath told it from that time? *have* not I the LORD? and *there is* no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; *there is* none beside me. ²² Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I *am* God, and *there is* none else. ²³ I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth *in* righteousness, and shall not return, **That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.** ²⁴ Surely, shall *one* say, in the LORD have I righteousness and strength: *even* to him shall *men* come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed. *Isaiah 45:21-24*

¹⁰ But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother? for we shall all stand before the **judgment seat of Christ.** ¹¹ **For it is written, As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.** *Romans 14:10-11*

⁵ Let this mind be in you, which was also in **Christ Jesus:** ⁶ **Who**, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: ⁷ But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: ⁸ And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. ⁹ Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: ¹⁰ **That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;** ¹¹ **And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**
Philippians 2:5-11

The final connection that I will make today between the book of Isaiah and the Lord Jesus Christ takes us to *Isaiah 6:1-3* and *Revelation 4:8-11*:

¹ In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple. ² Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. ³ And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: the whole earth *is* full of his glory. *Isaiah 6:1-3*

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⁸ And the four beasts had each of them six wings about *him*; and *they were* full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come. ⁹ And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever, ¹⁰ The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying, ¹¹ Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. *Revelation 4:8-11*

Any doctrine, or any fake Bible, that states that the Lord Jesus Christ is a created, or begotten, god (lower case “g”) is a Satanic damnable heresy concocted in the pits of hell in a vile attempt to destroy the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. Peter said in *2 Peter 2:1-2*:

¹ But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, **even denying the Lord that bought them**, and bring upon themselves swift destruction. ² And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. *2 Peter 2:1-2*

I have already stated that even the devils and unclean spirits acknowledge that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Holy One of Israel and the “Son of the most high God” (*Mark 5:7*). Yet many apostate and unbelieving modern Bible scholars refuse to acknowledge the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. Perhaps the greatest modern day (1850 on) tragedy has been the infestation of most, if not all, English translation committees with heretics that deny the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ and pervert the doctrine of salvation. The most often perverted doctrine God-ward in the modern professing church and translation committees is the deity of the Lord Jesus Christ. The most often perverted doctrine man-ward in the modern professing church and translation committees is the doctrine of man’s salvation. Can I say this about the King James Bible? The King James Bible is the only English Bible that makes a direct distinction between the person of the third person of the Trinity and the work of the third person of the Trinity in a body of flesh. The person of the third person of the Trinity is the Holy Ghost. The work of the Holy Ghost in any body of flesh is referred to as the work of the Spirit. That word “Spirit” should always be capitalized. If it is not capitalized, then it is a spelling error; not a translation error.

The greatest obstacle to understanding the Bible is a lack of belief. The first order of belief is to put your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. The second order of belief is to believe the Word of God. So, then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. *1 Corinthians 2:14* says: “But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.” The natural man is the unbelieving (faithless), lost sinner. *Hebrews 4:12* says: “For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart”. *Hebrews 5:12-14* states:

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¹² For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which *be* the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. ¹³ For every one that useth milk *is* unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. ¹⁴ But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil. *Hebrews 5:12-14*

What most folks in our American churches are getting today from their teachers, pastors, and preachers is not even skim milk. It is whitewashed water that is laced with spiritual poison. The reason for that is that most of the members, teachers, pastors, and preachers in American churches are unsaved false professors. False professions have become the leprosy in what used to be Bible believing churches. Unbelieving sinner's prayers have become the Nehushtan of so called fundamentalist churches. Unbelief, carnal saved folk, and unbelieving church members is killing our churches. If you are an unbelieving church member or a doubting Bible believer that does not fully trust your Bible your urgent plea to God must be, "help thou mine unbelief". If you are a genuine Bible believing Christian, you must yield to the workings of the Holy Ghost in your heart. It is the Holy Ghost that is your teacher. It is the Holy Ghost that gives unction to saved men and women so that they can be Godly, effective teachers for the Lord Jesus Christ. "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth" (*2 Timothy 2:15*). Outside of intensive study, the key to being an effective Bible teacher and preacher is to be in tune with the Holy Ghost that we might receive his unction:

²⁶ But the Comforter, *which is* the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. *John 14:26*

¹³ Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, *that* shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. ¹⁴ He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you. ¹⁵ All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you. *John 16:13-15*

As a closing aside, the LORD Jesus Christ had numerous pre-incarnate appearances in the Old Testament as either the Angel of the LORD, the Angel of God, and several other manifestations in the Old Testament. He is referred to as the angel of the LORD 59 times, an angel of the LORD 9 times, the angel of God 9 times (once in the New Testament in *Acts 27:23*), and the angel of his presence in *Isaiah 63:9*. We have written an extended length document called "The Manifestations Of The Godhead In The Bible" that shows the presence of the LORD Jesus Christ in the Old Testament.