

I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST

THE APOSTLE'S CREED, WEEK #2
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THE APOSTLE'S CREED

- I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.
- I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary

JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S SON, SAVIOR



Ιησους = Jesus Χριστος = Christ Θεος = God
 Υιου = Son Σωτηρι = Savior

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"Jesus Christ, God's Son, Savior"

ARE ALL RELIGIONS THE SAME? JESUS & OTHER RELIGIOUS LEADERS

- Guess who never claimed to be God's Son?
Guess who never claimed to be anyone's Savior?
Guess who never rose from the dead?
- Guess whose immediate followers never claimed any of these things either?
- Moses, Abraham, David
- Confucius
- Siddartha Gautama Buddha
- Muhammed

A VERY IMPORTANT QUESTION

- **Was Jesus a man who became the Son of God or was He the Son of God who became a man?**
- "a son is given" – Isaiah 9:6
- "For God so loved the world that ..." – John 3:16
- "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple ..." – Malachi 3:1

THE GREAT MYSTERY OF OUR FAITH

1 TIMOTHY 3:16

Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

He [God] was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit,
seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world,
taken up in glory.

JOHN 1:1-3, 14

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 was not any thing made that was made... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

GOD BECAME MAN?

Q. 4. *What is God?*

A. God is a spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness and truth.

JOHN OWEN ON THE INCARNATION OF CHRIST

• Incarnation: Becoming human, taking on flesh – “Word became flesh”

• “the Eternal was made in time,
the Infinite became finite,
the Immortal mortal,
yet continuing eternal, infinite, immortal —
is that singular expression of divine wisdom, goodness, and power,
wherein God will be admired and glorified unto all eternity.”



HOW DO WE KNOW?

1. God foretold it.
2. Jesus was born of a virgin.
3. Jesus performed many miracles.
See Matthew 11
4. Jesus rose from the dead.
5. The Apostles and others were eye-witnesses of these things.
