

**Reas**ons to Believe in Jesus Christ

## Reason 19: Isaiah 9:6-7: The Messiah is God, not just in the New Testament



Just who is Jesus? Is he a good man? Is he a liar? Is he Lord or is he a lunatic? Let's look at the options, could Jesus be a good man if he lied about who he was? No that would make him a "**Liar**" Another option is Jesus really believed he was Lord but he was mistaken, that would make him a **Lunatic** (someone affected by the moon). The third option is Jesus was who he claimed, that is **Lord**. There are only 3 options when we think of Jesus and His claims, he is either Lord, Liar or Lunatic.

The New Testament clearly teaches Jesus is God. Jesus declares that when you see Him, you see the "Father", and that He (Jesus) is the only way to the "Father". In John 10:33, the Jews want to stone Jesus, saying: *It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God.* They understood what he was teaching and saying

and Jesus did not deny it. The epistles also taught Jesus was God, Hebrews 1:8, and Colossians 1:15-16, Philippians 2:6 clearly proclaim His deity. The Gospel of John opens declaring Jesus, the Word was God. Many including Muslims, Jews would reject the idea of Jesus being God, saying this is only a Christian teaching.

However, if we read the prophets, they declared the Messiah the Son of David would not only be King of the Earth, but God. One powerful verse that affirms the Messiah is God is Isaiah 9:6-7. Here the Messiah, the descendent of David is called "Mighty God" 700-years before the New Testament declares Him to so.

Jesus is God and Creator	
John 1:1-3 (1) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and <u>the Word was God.</u> (2) He was in the beginning with God. (3) All things were made through him, and <u>without him</u> <u>was not any thing made that was made</u> .	Jesus was God in the beginning, before anything created even existed. Vs. 3 says everything in our universe was made by Jesus. "Without him was not anything made that was made" this would include Himself. This is saying Jesus always was. • The Word Was God • Was in the begging • Without him was not anything made
John 14:1-9 (1) "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.	When you see Jesus, You see God

Jesus is God in the New Testament

<ul> <li>(2) In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?</li> <li>(3) And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.</li> <li>(4) And you know the way to where I am going."</li> <li>(5) Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?"</li> <li>(6) Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.</li> <li>(7) If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."</li> <li>(8) Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us."</li> <li>(9) Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?</li> </ul>	In John 14:1-9 Jesus is meeting with his disciples before his crucifixion in the upper room. He wants them to Clearly know who he Is, so he tells them. (vs.1)Believe in God; believe also in me (vs. 6) I am the way, the truth and the life (vs. 6) No one comes to the Father except through Me (vs. 9) Whoever has seen me has seen the Father
<ul> <li>Colossians 1:13-17</li> <li>(13) He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, (14) in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.</li> <li>(15) He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.</li> <li>(16) For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authoritiesall things were created through him and for him.</li> <li>(17) And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.</li> </ul>	The image of God, all thing created through Him The epistle teaches clearly Jesus is the center of the universe. Before the universewas Jesus, he is the one who created the universe and holds the universe together. He is the "Visible" image of God. If you want to see God, look at Jesus.• Vs. 15 the Image of the invisible God • Vs. 16 By him all things were createdHeaven and earth• Vs. 16 All things created through him • Vs. 17 He is before all things • Vs. 17 In him all things hold together
<ul> <li>Hebrews 1:5-10</li> <li>(5) For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?</li> <li>(6) And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him."</li> <li>(7) Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire."</li> <li>(8) But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom.</li> <li>(9) You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions."</li> <li>(10) And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Vs. 17 Infinitial utilitys hold together</li> <li>The Father declares Jesus God</li> <li>The writer to the Hebrews wants his Jewish readers to understand who Jesus is, so he tells them. Jesus was not a powerful angel, but God in the flesh. Jesus existed before the universe and he will be there when the universe is folded up. Jesus is the son of God, and very God, he is the creator of the Universe.</li> <li>Vs. 5 You are my Son</li> <li>Vs. 6 Let all the angels of God worship him</li> <li>Vs. 8 Your throne, O God, is forever</li> <li>Vs. 9 Therefore God, your God has anointed you</li> <li>Vs 10 You (Jesus) Lord, laid the foundations of the earththe heavens are the work of your hands</li> </ul>

## 700 Years Before Jesus

Isaiah 9:6-7 (6) For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (7) Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of

hosts will do this



## The Son of David is Mighty God

700 Years before the birth of Jesus, the identity of the Messiah was clearly described in scripture. The Messiah was to be descendent of King David, who was from the Tribe of Judah, (2 Samuel 7:12-16). Isaiah gives us details about the Messiah that affirm the New Testament teaching.

(Vs. 6): For to us a child is born

The Messiah would be of human descent born as a child, going through human birth, fully man

(Vs. 6): <u>A son is given</u>

The Messiah would be the Son of God, this is also taught in Psalm 2:7,12.

• (Vs. 6): The government shall be upon his shoulder The kingdom (government) of God comes through the Messiah. This individual would be of human descent and also of heavenly descent Son of man (Child born) Son of God (Of Heaven). The government of the Messianic Kingdom will be His. Jesus crucified with the sign King of the Jews.

• (vs. 6) His name shall be called.. Mighty God

This child born will called "Mighty God", this affirms the doctrine that the Messiah is God. 700 years before the birth of Jesus, Isaiah declared the Messiah would be called "Mighty God", this statement would be considered blashpamy by the Jews, but it is in every Jewish

**5**. For a child has been born to us, a son given to us, and the authority is upon his shoulder, and the wondrous adviser, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, called his name, "the prince of peace."

Bible (See below)<sup>1</sup>

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## שר שלום:

• (vs. 6) Everlasting Father.. Prince of Peace

The Messiah would also be an everlasting Father, Jesus said in John 14, when you see him you see the Father. His kingdom will be a peace because he will be in charge, he will establish peace on the earth.



(Vs. 7) Of the increase of his government...no end

His government will be an everlasting government, it will not end but only increase.

• (Vs. 7)On the throne of David..his kingdom

This is clearly Messianic, going back to the promise that the Messiah would be a descendent of David, ruling on the throne of David. This

identifies the person of Isaiah 9:6 and 7 as the Messiah, since rulership will be on the throne of King David.

• (Vs. 7) From this time forth and forevermore

His kingdom is everlasting, without end, an eternal kingdom...

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Isaiah 9:6 from <u>http://www.chabad.org/library/bible\_cdo/aid/15940</u>, An Orthodox Jewish Website online Bible.