

THE DEITY OF CHRIST

Why we believe Jesus is the Son of God . . .

1. **Because the apostle John said so (John 1:1-2)**
 - a. The Word was God
 - b. The Word was in the beginning
 - c. The Word is our Creator
 - d. The Word is Jesus (John 1:14)
2. **Because the apostle Thomas said so (John 20:28-31)**
 - a. Thomas called him Lord and God
 - b. Jesus approved of Thomas' statement
 - c. The apostle John agreed with Thomas' statement
3. **Because the apostle Paul said so (Col. 2:9)**
 - a. Jesus had every quality that belongs to "deity" (God)
 - b. Even while he looked and acted human
4. **Because the angel Gabriel said so (Matt. 1:20-23; Luke 1:32, 35)**
 - a. Jesus is "God with us" (Immanuel)
 - b. Jesus is the Son of God
5. **Because the prophet Isaiah said so (Isa. 9:6)**
 - a. Jesus is the wonder-working (miracle) Counselor
 - b. Jesus is the mighty God
 - c. Jesus is our eternal father (elder)
 - d. Jesus is the prince who will establish peace over all of creation

6. **Because Jesus said so (John 8:58; 10:30; 14:8-9)**
 - a. Jesus used God's special name "I AM"
 - b. Jesus said he and God are one
 - c. Jesus said to see him was the same as seeing God
7. **Because his enemies said so (John 5:17-18; 10:31-33; 19:7-8)**
 - a. Obviously Jesus' enemies did not believe that he was the Son of God
 - b. But they clearly understood that Jesus was claiming to be Son of God
8. **Because his miracles said so (John 10:36-38)**
 - a. God often gave prophets the ability to do miracles as a sign confirming that what they said was true
 - b. Jesus' miraculous powers were a sign confirming that what he said about himself was true
9. **Because God said so (Matt. 3:17; 17:5; Acts 2:22)**
 - a. God spoke through the miraculous powers he gave to Jesus
 - b. God spoke through the words "this is my beloved Son"
10. **Because Jesus' resurrection said so (Matt. 12:38-40; Rom. 1:4)**
 - a. Jesus offered a third-day resurrection as the ultimate test of his claims about himself
 - b. The resurrection on Easter Sunday loudly proclaims for all time that Jesus is the Son of God