

God's Awesome Attributes!

"Jesus is God" Part 2

Why Do We Believe Jesus is God?

1. Because Jesus Said "I AM" God!

¹⁴ God said to Moses, "**I am who I am.** This is what you are to say to the Israelites: '**I am** has sent me to you.'" ¹⁵ God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The Lord, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.' "**This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation.** Exodus 3:14-15 NIV

Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, **I am.**" ⁵⁹ So **they picked up stones to throw at him,** but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple. John 8:58-59 NIV

⁴ Jesus, knowing all that was going to happen to him, went out and asked them, "Who is it you want?" ⁵ "Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "**I am** he," Jesus said... ⁶ When Jesus said, "**I am** he," **they drew back and fell to the ground.** John 18:3-6 NIV

I am the Bread of Life (John 6:35) See Exodus 16:4.

I am the Light of the World (John 8:12, 9:5) See Gen. 1:3, John 1:1-4.

I am the Door (John 10:9) See Isaiah 12:2.

I am the Good Shepherd (John 10:11,14) See Psalm 23:1.

I am the Resurrection & the Life (John 11:25) See Isa.26:19, Rev 1:18

I am the Way, Truth and Life (John 14:6) See Ps 25:4, 119:160, Gen. 2:7.

I am the Vine (John 15:1,5) See Isaiah 5:1, Psalm 80:14-17.

The boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. ²⁵ Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. ²⁶ When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. ²⁷ But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! **It is I.** [I AM] Don't be afraid." ²⁸ "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." ²⁹ "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. ³⁰ But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" ³² And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. ³³ **Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."** Matthew 14:24-33 NIV

See also Mark 6:45-52, John 6:16-21

2. Because Others Declared Jesus is God!

God the Father: Hebrews 1:8 See Psalm 45:6.

John the Baptist: John 1:23, Isaiah 40:3 See Matthew 3:3, Mark 1:3.

John the Apostle: John 1:1

Roman Centurion: Mark 15:39

Thomas the Apostle: John 20:28

Paul the Apostle: Romans 9:5 See Philippians 2, Colossians 1 & Titus 3.

The Writer of Hebrews: Hebrews 1:8

Peter the Apostle: 2 Peter 1:1

[Jesus] asked his disciples, "**Who do people say the Son of Man is?**"

¹⁴ They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets." ¹⁵ "But what about you?" he asked. "**Who do you say I am?**" ¹⁶ Simon Peter answered, "**You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.**" Matthew 16:13b-16 NIV

3. Because Others Worshiped Jesus as God!

Scripture prohibits worship of anyone other than God.

Idols/Images: Exodus 20:5, Deuteronomy 5:7-9

False gods: Jeremiah 25:6

Statues: Leviticus 26:1

People: Acts 10:26

Angels: Colossians 2:18, Revelation 19:10

Demons: Revelation 9:20

Satan: Luke 4:8

Jesus was worshiped by:

The Wise Men: Matthew 2:11

A Man with Leprosy: Matthew 8:2

A Synagogue Ruler: Matthew 9:18

The Disciples: Matthew 14:33 Luke 24:52,

A Canaanite woman: Matthew 15:25

A Mother of the disciples: Matthew 20:20

Mary Magdalene: Matthew 28:9, Mark 16

A Blind man: John 9:38

Thomas: John 20:28

The Crowd: Matthew 21:9, John 12:13

Angels: Hebrews 1:6

Jesus accepted their worship and never rebuked them.

Everyone will worship Him! Philippians 2:9-11