

The Supremacy, Glory, & Preeminence of Yeshua

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INTRODUCTION

"See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world and not according to Christ. For in Him all the fullness of the deity dwells in bodily form," (Colossians 2:8-9).

You may know "Him" spoken of in this passage as Jesus Christ. You may be familiar that He was crucified on a cross about two thousand years ago. With that being said, there is much about Jesus that you may not understand. You might have been taught what others have studied or learned about Jesus, but have you personally taken the time to discover Him for yourself? For instance, did you know that He repeatedly claimed to be God in the flesh? If you take the time to review this study, I believe that you will be shocked at just how much you didn't know about Him. For starters, you may not even be aware of His Hebrew name "Yeshua."

"When Yeshua came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." Yeshua said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." And Yeshua answered him, "Blessed are you Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven." If Yeshua asked you this question, what would be the answer you would give Him? Who do you say Yeshua is? There are three reasons why I have written this paper:

- First and foremost is to magnify and bring glory to the Lord of Heaven.
- The second reason is to lay out for you a systematic breakdown of the scriptures that reveals the **supremacy, glory, and preeminence of Yeshua.**
- The third and final reason is to refute the heretical doctrine of "ecumenicalism." This movement stresses that all religions have some common ground and that all are equally true and valid.

One new form of ecumenicalism that is particularly alarming is a movement rapidly forming called "Chrislam." This is a blending of Christianity and Islam. Its followers study both Mohamed's and Christ's teachings. So, just how prominent is this movement? Most people are unaware that on June 26th, 2011, numerous Christian churches in 26 states across America held organized "Chrislam" services. This trend of ecumenicalism is spreading on an unimaginable scale, programming the masses to accept the idea that there are multiple ways to God. Did Yeshua simply claim to be one of many ways to God as some propose? No! Not even close. He did not claim that He was "a" way to Heaven; He claimed He is the only way to Heaven. In John 14:6, we see a powerful and exclusive claim made by Him. Yeshua said, **"I am the way the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."**

Many today view Christianity as just another religion and say things like, "That's cool if it works for you." Yeshua was not mutilated, slashed to pieces, tortured and nailed to a tree over a garbage dump in Jerusalem because He told people they should try to improve their morality!!! **He was charged with blasphemy and crucified, because He claimed to be God in the flesh and the only means by which man can be reconciled to God.**

The Bible says, **"To all who received Him, to all who believed in His name, God gave the right to become children of God,"** (John 1:12). This verse clearly states that both believing and receiving must occur in order to become a child of God. Some will say "we are all children of God." That is not true. We are all creations of God, but we are not part of God's spiritual family and united with Him until we have received Yeshua as our savior. What do you have to believe about Yeshua to be saved? Can a person simply believe anything they want about Him, or does the truth matter? Galatians 1:8 says, **"But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we**

preached to you, let him be accursed." The fact is the truth does matter. What you believe about Yeshua and receive Him as is critical in order for true salvation to take place. Biblical salvation is based on Christ's finished work on the cross. It is His blood that saves us, not our good deeds. It is faith in Him alone, believing that His blood is the perfect sacrifice that washes away all our sins that saves us. Paul lays out salvation very clearly in 1 Corinthians 15, saying we must believe **"Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried and that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures."** As you can see, what you believe about Yeshua is very important, but is belief alone enough? James 2:19 says **"You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe and shudder!"** "Do you merely believe the correct information about God as do the demons? Or have you received Him as your LORD GOD?" Remember John 1:12 said we must also **receive Yeshua** in order to become children of God. Simply knowing facts about God cannot save you! Satan and fallen angels know countless facts about Yeshua, but refuse to receive Yeshua as supreme LORD God. Simply put, a saving faith is this: believing what Yeshua said about Himself and receiving Him as supreme LORD God. My intent is to show you the truth of who Yeshua really is so that you can genuinely receive Him, in order that you can be reconciled to Him. **"But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ,"** (Ephesians 2:13). . It is our faith in His blood and His sacrifice that saves us, for the scripture states, **"But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe,"** (Romans 3:21). The Bible is clear. We are not saved by trying to be good, for we are all sinners. Our righteousness is "imputed" to us and comes **from God.** We are not saved by assuming we are righteous. It is Christ's righteousness on behalf of Him that is imputed to us that saves us. When the Bible speaks of men being justified by God, justification does not mean "just as if I had never sinned." This is what most have been taught. Justification is a legal term and means that once a person receives Yeshua, "they are legally declared right in the sight of God." The Bible says, **"If any man does not have the Spirit of Christ he does not belong to Christ,"** (Romans 8:9). Do you have the Spirit of Christ living in you, or not? This is salvation. Salvation is Christ imputing His Spirit into YOU, "sealing you until the day of redemption," (Ephesians 4:30). Once this happens and Christ seals you, you are legally declared right in the sight of God and your sins are forgiven. The question is, "Are there essential elements of ones faith that must be present in order for that faith to be real saving faith?" The answer is yes. Yeshua and the Bible clearly teach that in order to be saved one must fully place their trust in His blood and in His sacrifice on the cross as an eternal payment for their sins. Also, one must believe that Yeshua is God and have faith in Him as such in order to receive the promise of eternal life. It is extremely necessary to reiterate this point; Yeshua must be God to you, you must receive Yeshua as who Yeshua said He is and your faith must be wholeheartedly placed upon His blood on the cross as an eternal payment for you sins. Yeshua must be your God. To begin we will examine eight distinct attributes of Yeshua that illustrate His supremacy, glory, and preeminence. My hope is that you will come to know Yeshua as God and understand His true nature and begin to see the depths of His love for you and how much He sacrificed to save you. May it be revealed to you that Yeshua is God.

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► Supremacy of Yeshua Scripture Overview

The three most theologically concise scriptures concerning the deity and supremacy of Christ; are Colossians 1:15-21, Hebrews chapter 1, and the Gospel of John 1:1-18. If one were seeking to know where in the Bible it says that Yeshua is God, aside from numerous other verses, these three are considered by theologians to be the most highly structured in all of scripture.

(Colossians 1:15-21)

“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities – all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything He might be preeminent. For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of His cross. And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, He has now reconciled in His body of flesh by His death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before Him. “

(Hebrews 1:1-13)

“Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days He has spoken to us by his Son, whom He appointed the heir of all things, through whom also He created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of His nature, and He upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to

angels as the name He has inherited is more excellent than theirs. 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’? And again, when He brings the firstborn into the world He says, ‘Let all angels worship Him.’

(John 1:1-18)

“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 nothing was made that has been made. In Him was life and that life was the light of men. He was in the world and the world was made through Him, yet the world did not know Him. He came to His own people and His own people did not receive Him, yet to all who believed in His name He gave the right to become children of God – and the Word (Jesus) 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. No one has ever seen God; but the only God who is at the Father’s side has made Him known.”

1. YESHUA – The Meaning of the Name

There is an amazing treasure in store for the person who takes the time to understand Jesus' Hebrew name. His Hebrew name is (יֵשׁוּעַ) and is pronounced "Yeshua." "Yeshua," when translated into the Greek language became (Ἰησοῦς) and is pronounced (Iēsous). When His name was translated from the Greek language into Latin it became (Iesus) and from there became known as (Jesus) in English. Names in the ancient world were often related to the identity and expectations of the person's destiny, they held great intrinsic value. The Hebrew name given to Jesus and the implications of its meaning reveals to us the undisputable fact that Jesus is God in the flesh.

The name (יֵשׁוּעַ) "Yeshua" is a late form of the Biblical Hebrew name (יְהוֹשֻׁעַ) "Yehoshua." "Yehoshua," comes from the Hebraic root word (יָשַׁע) "yod-shin-ayin," meaning "to deliver, save, or rescue." The word "Christ" is the English translation of the Greek word "Khristos" meaning "Anointed One," which is taken from the original Hebrew word מָשִׁיחַ "Messiah." When translated into English this word becomes "Messiah." Therefore, the name "Jesus Christ" in the original Hebrew language is "Yehoshua Massiash," (Jesus the Messiah - "The Anointed One"). In order to understand the meaning of Jesus' name, we must define the name YEHOSHUA and discover what it reveals about the messiah? We will define Yehoshua later, but first we must understand an important truth about the Hebrew language.

In the ancient Hebrew, as in Chinese and ancient Egyptian, the alphabetical letters had corresponding pictures that indicate the character's meaning. Words are formed by combining pictures and their meanings. We will first take a look at God's name given to Moses in Exodus chapter 3 and discover the revelation and prophetic insight hidden within the pictured meaning of His name. Encoded within His very name, God reveals an amazing clue as to who precisely the Messiah would be. So pay attention, you won't want to miss this!

In Exodus chapter 3, Moses hears God's voice emitting from a burning bush. "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God...Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is His name?' Then what shall I tell them?" God said to Moses, 'I am who I am.' (Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh) 'This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM (Ehyeh) has sent me to you.' God then says to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD (YHVH- Strongs#3068) 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 by which I am to be remembered from generation to generation. Go, assemble the elders of Israel and say to them," 'The Lord, (YHVH)' the God of your fathers – the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob appeared to me.' (Exodus 3:1-17).

Here, God is using His personal name "YHWH" (v.15) which stems from the root word (havah) meaning "to become or to be" interchangeably with the Hebrew word "Ehyeh," meaning "I Am or To Be" (v.14). Now that we know God's personal name identified as these four Hebrew letters YHVH, let's take a look at what the pictures of these letters mean.

These four letters "YHVH" in Hebrew are **(Yud, Hay, Vav, Hay)**. The first part "Yud," has the symbol of a closed hand denoting power and represents oneness. The second letter "Hay" means "to behold, show or reveal" and has the picture like that of a person with their arms outstretched. The next letter "Vav," has a picture that portrays a peg, hook or nail. So, when read from right to left in Hebrew, it states, **"BEHOLDING THE NAIL IN THE CLOSED HAND!!!"** The idea you would get from left to right in English would be **"BEHOLD THE NAIL- BEHOLD THE HAND!"** The irony is that many Jews today highly revere the name YHVH, yet do not believe in Yeshua. Most miss the redemptive plan for humanity from eternity past imbedded in God's very name YHVH, which foretells of the crucifixion of Yeshua, the Messiah. Now that we understand the meaning of God's name YHVH, what about Jesus' name? **What does the name Yeshua mean and how is it related to the Name "YHVH"? What does this tell us about who Jesus, "Yeshua" really is?**

In the gospel of Matthew an angel of the Lord appeared to Mary's husband in a dream and said **"Do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son and you shall call His name Jesus "Yeshua," for He will save His people from their sins."** All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," (which means God With Us) (Matthew 1:21-24).

The angel of the Lord said the Messiah's name would be called Yeshua and He would save His people from their sins. As noted earlier, the name (ישוע) "Yeshua" is a late form of the Biblical Hebrew name (יהושע) "Yehoshua." "Yehoshua," comes from the Hebraic root word (ישע) "yod-shin-ayin" meaning **"to deliver, save, or rescue."** "Yeho" (יה) is another form of (יהו) "Yahu" a deity bearing part of the personal name of God in the Old Testament!!! "Shua," comes from the Hebrew root word "Yasha" and means **"to save, or salvation."** Thus the Messiah's name is explained on the basis of what He will do; He will save and deliver His people from their sins. Jesus' name literally means "God Saves" or "YHVH Saves." The pictured meaning of Yeshua's name is almost identical to that of YHVH. The pictured meaning of the name YEHOSHUA means more along the lines of **"BEHOLD THE NAILED HAND IS SALVATION!!!"** Yeshua did not just perform a saving act. Before He was ever crucified, the meaning of His name shows us that salvation is part of His very nature. This demonstrates to us the very heart of God. From eternity past to eternity future, Yeshua is salvation! This not only reveals the role of YESHUA as savior, it proves He is God in the flesh.

2. Yeshua's Dual Nature- Fully God Fully Man "The God Man"

In order to fully comprehend God's plan of salvation and to make sure one is not misled and confused about who God is, there is a very important theological truth one must understand concerning

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Yeshua. This doctrine concerns Yeshua's dual

nature. Without understanding this critical subject, one may be very confused when reading the Bible. In order to fully understand God's plan for salvation, it is critical that one understand the reasons why Yeshua had to "come forth" into the world and partake of a human body and be subject to everything that humans are subjected to. As the Bible clearly teaches Yeshua is fully God and fully

man, the scripture states, "in Him all the fullness of the deity dwells in bodily form," (Colossians 2:9). As

the scripture states, the Spirit of God resides in Yeshua "without any form of limitation," (John 3:34). It is clear and

undeniable. Yeshua is fully God. Yeshua is also fully
man. Although He is fully God Yeshua had a mortal body while on Earth, that was subject to hunger, thirst, pain, and everything humans are subjected to and in no way did His divinity minimize the effects of living in a human body and the scriptures make this very clear. The Title

Son of Man, which we will examine in much detail, was the name
by which Yeshua called Himself by more than any other name. Why

did He do this? What does Son of Man mean? Why
is it necessary that although Yeshua being God had
to "come forth" in the likeness of human flesh in
order to redeem man kind? Why did Yeshua
partake of human flesh? Why couldn't He just die
as God and save humanity? The bible teaches

that it was absolutely necessary that Yeshua be made like us in
order to redeem us from Gods wrath and the penalty of sin. As the

scripture states, "Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself (Christ)
likewise partook of the same things, that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject

to lifelong slavery. For surely it is not angels that He helps, but He helps the offspring of Abraham. **Therefore He had to be made like his brothers in every respect,** so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, **to make propitiation for the sins of the people.** For because He himself has suffered when tempted, He is able to **help those who are being tempted,**” (Hebrews 2:14-18). There is a wide spectrum of heretical false doctrines concerning who Yeshua is that **stand in strong opposition to what scripture and Yeshua teach.**

The three main **false doctrines** concerning the nature of Yeshua are:

1. **Yeshua is only fully human and is not divine.** This false doctrine asserts that Christ was 100% human and was **created** by God the Father and is in **no way divine.** According to this false doctrine Yeshua is not God, rather **He is (only a prophet).** This teaching denies everything Yeshua and scripture teach.

2. Some assert that **Yeshua is fully God but refute His human nature;** asserting that Yeshua **only assumed** a human body, but refute that He was subject to illness, fatigue, hunger, bodily functions, temptations to sin, physical pain and all the other characteristics that make us human. According to this false teaching **Yeshua’s divinity made it impossible for Him to be subjected to anything that us humans would be affected by.** This is not what Yeshua and scripture teach.

3. Others claim that Yeshua is the Son of God, and they profess His divinity however they believe that Yeshua was **created by God the Father** and is therefore is **not consubstantial, co-eternal and co-existent with the Father.** This is not what Yeshua and scripture teach.

The early church came into fierce opposition by a man named Arius. He was the priest of Alexandria. Arius proposed that the Father “begat” the Son, therefore asserting that the Son of God must have had a beginning and that there was a time in which Yeshua did not exist. He asserted that Yeshua’s substance was from nothing like the rest of creation. The Council of Nicea in order to refute this heretical doctrine formed a gathering similar to the one described in **Acts 15:4-22,** and condemned the beliefs of Arius and wrote the first version of the now famous “ Nicene Creed,” proclaiming the truth of what scripture clearly teaches; that “the Son is **one in being with the Father**” by use of the Greek word "homoousius." In AD 325, **in order to ensure that Yeshua was professed as the eternal Son of God and consubstantial to the Father** they stated,

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"We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end."

There are many scriptures that speak of Christ "coming forth" into the world, or being "brought forth" into the world. It is very critical to understand what these phrases mean. Furthermore, the Bible speaks of Yeshua being "**the only begotten Son of God,**" (John 3:16). But does the word "begotten" mean "created" as many false teachers proclaim? **No!!!** It does not. Yeshua says, "**For the Father Himself loves you because you have loved Me and believe that I came forth from God. I came forth from the Father** and have come into the world and now I am leaving the world and going to the Father," (John 16:26). In Proverbs 8 it says, speaking of the pre-existent Christ, "**When there was no depth I was brought forth.**" the meaning of the words "begotten" and "brought forth" are not implying that Yeshua was all of a sudden created at one point by God the Father. Yeshua is not a creation of God, for we have already seen that John 1:3 states speaking of Christ being the creator, "**All things were made through Him and without Him nothing was made that has been made.**" Yeshua could not have been created by anything since the scripture states "**He is before all things,**"

(Colossians 1:17). Since Yeshua created all things, it is impossible for Him to have been made by anything or anyone!!! The meaning of the words "begotten" and "brought forth" does not mean that Yeshua was created. Rather the Greek word being used in John 16:26 is ἐξέρχομαι "exerchomai." This word means "to go or come out of," hence Yeshua came out of and proceeds forth from the Father; Yeshua was not created; He is not a creation of God!!!! The Greek word for "**only begotten son of God**" in John 3:16 is μονογενής, ἐς (monogenés) which literally means "mono," (one of a class) and "genos," (the only one of its kind). John uses this word to demonstrate Yeshua's divinity as "**The Son of God.**" He does this to clearly distinguish Yeshua's uniqueness as the Father's divine Son, vs. people who become God's sons and daughters and are entered into His eternal family through our faith in Him. There is an immense difference between our relationship to God as His sons and daughters and Yeshua's relationship to His Father

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as His eternal divine Son. Yeshua is not a son in the same way that a believer is a son of God. The Bible says in John 5:17 "But Yeshua answered them, 'My Father is working until now, and I am working.' This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill Him, because not only was He breaking the Sabbath, but He was even calling

God His own Father, making Himself equal with God!!!!" That is very important to understand. Yeshua consistently spoke of Himself as being equal with God the Father. And those around Him would eventually crucify Him for such!!!! Yeshua said in John 10:30, "My sheep hear My voice and I know them and they follow Me. I give them eternal life and they will never perish and no one is able to snatch them out of My hand. My Father who has given them to Me is greater than all and no one is able to

snatch them out of My Father's hand and Me and the Father are one." for which the Jews tried to stone Him... "For a good work we stone thee not, replied the Jews, but for

blasphemy and because thou being a man, makest thyself God,"

(John 10:33)!!! John 1:18 says "For no man hath seen God at any time; however, the only "Begotten" Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath revealed Him. Yeshua said, "He who sent Me is true and I declare to the world what I have heard from Him," (John 8:26). Mark 2:3-8 states, "They came bringing to Yeshua a paralytic carried by four men, and when they could not get near Yeshua because of the crowd they removed the roof above Him and when they had made an opening they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. And when Yeshua saw their faith He said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven.' Now some scribes were sitting there questioning in their hearts, 'Why does this man speak like that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

When Jesus was in the synagogue a man with an unclean spirit came to Him and cried out, "What have You to do with us Yeshua of Nazareth? Have You come to destroy us? I know who You are-the Holy One of God." But Yeshua rebuked him saying, "Be silent and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice came out of him. And they were all

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amazed, so they questioned among themselves saying, "What is this? A new teaching and with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey Him," And at once His fame spread everywhere," (Mark 1:21-28). It is not my intent to prove the holy Trinity and the separate functions each member of the Godhead administers. 1 John 5:7 says "There are three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and these three are one." The doctrine of the Holy Trinity is a theological fact. The Father the Son and the Holy Spirit have co-existed forever as one entity. My intent is to show that Jesus Christ represents the fullness of God the

Father on this Earth; that God the Father imputed His fullness into a human body in the physical incarnation of His Son Jesus Christ and bestowed upon Him all authority, power, dominion and glory. I am not claiming that Jesus Christ is The Father autonomously. However at the same time I am not saying that Yeshua is not our Father! It is very clear when you read the scriptures and the words of Yeshua that the Father and His Son are different manifestations of the trinity and administer different functions of the Godhead. God the Father and His Son, although being different manifestations and revelations of how God chooses to reveal Himself, are not separate from each other. Yeshua and His

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Father have co-existed forever and they are consubstantial and co-eternal with each other, and they have existed that way together forever and ever. Water for example can exist in three states, solid, liquid and gas and it does not change the fact that it is water. An egg for example has three components, the shell the yolk and the white, yet the whole thing is still considered an egg; no one part is any more or any less egg than the other. A man can be a husband a father and a brother all at the same time, although he is a man he can still function in all three ways. The holy trinity is similar. Although there are

three ways in which God exists, as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, no one manifestation of how God chooses to reveal Himself is any more or less fully God than the other. Yeshua knew who His Father was. Yeshua would pray to His Father, and He knew that His Father was greater than He, i.e., (John 10:29). What the evidence shows is that Yeshua represents the revelation of God the Father in His fullness. Yeshua is the revelation of the Father's thoughts and feelings. Yeshua reveals to the world the Father and He does this as the scripture says "with out any form of limitation!!!" Yeshua says in John 17:25 when speaking to the Father, "The world does not know you, but I know you, I showed them what You are like, and again I will show them what You are like."

One of Yeshua's disciples said to Him "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." Jesus answered, "Don't you know Me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen Me has seen the Father." John 4:22 says, "For the Father judges no one but has given all judgment to the Son, that all may honor the Son just as they do the Father, whoever does not honor the Son does not

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honor the Father who sent Him!!" Here we Yeshua make amazing statements. He equivocates worshiping Himself as honoring God. He makes it clear that He and His Father are one, that they are "of one substance." Honoring Yeshua and worshiping Him is the same as honoring His Father and worshiping His Father. You can not have the Father without His Son and you can not have Yeshua without His Father; they are inseparable and always have been. Yeshua makes this extremely clear and that is why the people crucified Him. They crucified him for claiming to be God and claiming to be one with the Father!!!

Yeshua referred to Himself as the Son of Man seventy-nine times in the gospels, making overt connections concerning His relation to us as our kinsman redeemer through His humanity. In order for Yeshua to become our kinsman redeemer, He must be fully human and fully divine. Yeshua was born as a man, under the Law, through Mary; Matthew 1:18, 20, 24-25. Galatians 4:4 states, "**When the fullness of time had come God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.**" In the Old Testament (Leviticus 25:25-26, 48-49; Ruth 2:20), the next of kin (one related by blood) was the only one able to function as the "kinsman-redeemer" of a family member who needed redemption from slavery. There were many ways one could become a slave in ancient times; he may be born into slavery, captured by an invading army, or he may fall into debt therefore having to sell himself in order to pay off his obligations. Yeshua became our kinsman redeemer by becoming fully human. He became related to us "by blood" (that is, He became a man) so He could function as our Kinsman-Redeemer and rescue us from sin.

Yeshua was only able to pay for our sins by becoming like us in every way and offering His life on the cross. Although His conception was miraculous, the scriptures make it clear that His miraculous conception did not prevent Him from being fully human. Yeshua was conceived when the Holy Spirit "came upon" his mother, resulting in His conception, (Luke 1:29-35). Thus, the male seed was from God, as foretold by the prophet Isaiah seven hundred years before Christ, "**Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign; the virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call Him Immanuel,**" (Isaiah 7:14). The title "Immanuel" means God with us! For God imputed His spirit without measure into a human body. Yeshua is also the "seed of the woman" who in Genesis 3:15 is prophesied would bruise the serpent's head. The miracle was that God directly provided the seed for conception, making Yeshua both the Son of God and the son of Mary. **As the son of Mary, the seed of the woman, Yeshua is fully human, through the conception of the Holy Spirit, He is fully divine, making Him the Son of Man and the Son of God!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! This is critical to**

understand. 1 John 4:1-3 states, "Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to

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see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world. This is how you can recognize the Spirit of God: Every spirit that acknowledges that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God, but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world." It was necessary for God to partake of a human nature for many of the reasons listed above; this was part of God's redemptive plan for mankind. God came into the world born in the likeness of men "to redeem us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us," (Galatians 3:13). Anyone who denies this is not born of God. The Bible is very clear on this subject.

Aside from Yeshua needing to be born in the likeness of men to rescue us from sin and become our kinsman redeemer, there is another reason He came in human likeness to this earth. Yeshua is

referred to in the Bible as the last Adam. What does it mean that Yeshua is the last Adam? You may have never heard the Messiah referred to as being the last Adam, but the scriptures reference Him as such. You may be aware that Adam was God's first created man. You may be aware that Adam sinned against God and because of his sin humanity was plunged into utter despair and what was seemingly destined for complete destruction. Every man from this point on was looking into the eternal judgment of God for our committed acts of unrighteousness against Him and with no way to be forgiven eternally. However, God who "declares the end from the beginning" had it all figured out. He would "send forth" His Son in the likeness of man to reclaim the promises of immortality, glory and eternal life for all mankind that He had promised to Adam in the first place!!! Yeshua would become the perfect man. He would become for all human kind "the representative man" on our behalf and impute His righteousness to us through our faith in Him and His blood on the cross.

From the very beginning, Adam's relationship with God was dependent on faith and obedience to God's word as absolute truth. Adam was immortal. Adam was created to "reflect the glory of God." He was created in "the image of God" as it states in the book of Genesis. So what does Christ have to do with Adam? Why is He called the last Adam? What are the implications of this for us eternally? Pay close attention because this Biblical truth is extremely profound and important in relation to how it effects our salvation. Through Christ's life and death He has done much more for us than save us from our sins, and save us from the wrath of God. He has reclaimed God's eternal promises for mankind which had been predestined for immortality and glory eternally!! Adam forfeited all of this due to his sins against God, but Christ being made in the likeness of men, accomplished for humanity what Adam was incapable of preserving. The scripture states, "The first man Adam became a living being, the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. The first man was of the dust of the earth, the second man from heaven. As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the Man from heaven, so also are those who are of heaven. And just as we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, so shall we bear the likeness of the Man from heaven. I declare to you, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does

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the perishable inherit the imperishable. Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, **but we will all be changed**, in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, **and we will be changed**. **For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable and the mortal with immortality**. When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: **“Death has been swallowed up in victory. “Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”** The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! **He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ,**” (1 Corinthians 15:45-56). **In the above passage, Yeshua, although being God, is referred to also explicitly as a “man.”** Paul recognized an interesting parallel between Adam and Jesus. Adam was created immortal and was to be God’s representative and steward on the earth, perfectly reflecting the image and glory of God; fulfilling God’s divine purpose. World dominion was granted to him. He was commissioned to subdue the earth. God’s glory emanated from Adam. He was everything God intended man to be. However, Adam forfeited all of this by disobeying God in the Garden of Eden when the devil came to him and tempted him. Adam’s disobedience resulted

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in death for mankind, both spiritually and physically. **However, Christ’s death resulted in everlasting life for those that repent and submit to him.** Scripture states, **“Just as we have borne the likeness of Adam, the earthly man, in our flesh, so shall we, one day, bear the likeness of Yeshua, (the perfect man) the man from Heaven,”** (1 Corinthians 15:49). Because all humanity shares in Adam’s mortal nature, so every human being has an earthly body just like Adam’s. Earthly bodies are fitted for life on this earth, therefore they are limited by death, disease, and weakness because of sin which we’ve seen was first brought into the world by Adam. **However, the good news is that believers can know with certainty that their heavenly bodies will be just like Yeshua’s heavenly body in the afterlife: imperishable, eternal, glorious, and filled with power!!!** Due to Christ’s ability to accomplish what Adam could not, Christ has triumphed over death. Being born in the likeness of men, and remaining 100% faithful to His Father, **Yeshua has reclaimed for humanity what was promised to Adam from the beginning (dominion, glory and immortality)!!!** When we see Christ face to face, we will **finally understand what man was designed to be from the beginning. We will be staring into the face of the “perfect man.”** All believers will be like Christ when we enter into His eternal kingdom, and we will be transformed into what Adam was created to be in the first place. **Make no mistake; we will not in any way be like Christ in His divinity!!!** There are religions especially Mormonism that teach humans will **“become deified.”** **That is total blasphemy!** When the Bible says

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fullness of the representation of what man was intended to be in our humanity, nothing more. Christ will impute to us what Adam was created to be and we will reflect God in His image as originally intended in the life of Adam. Yeshua will glorify our humanity!!! He will not deify us. There is only one God, Yeshua and no one will ever become like Him in His deity. The Bible says, **“But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like His glorious body,”** (Philippians 3:21). The Apostle John wrote to the believers, **“Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known.** But we know that **when He appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is,**” (1 John 3:2). Colossians 1:12 states, **“giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.”** Paul is making it very clear. Christ, through His life on Earth, **in the likeness of man in human form** and through His accomplishment over death and sin **has qualified us to partake in Yeshua’s nature in as far as it relates to Yeshua being the perfect man.** We have the ability now to **share in the inheritance in “the kingdom of light.”** We will be glorified with Christ and will be transformed into what God has intended man to be all along. Yeshua being God, is also the perfect man!!! Praise God!!!

Because Yeshua came in the likeness of man to reclaim for us what Adam was predestined for, Christ imputes to us through our faith in Him the glorification immortality and perfection that was offered to Adam in the beginning. Romans 5:14 states, **“Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the offense of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.”** The Greek word is “typos” meaning “to strike.” A piece of metal was struck by a type leaving an impression on it. The “typos” was the mark left by an object that was struck. The word came to mean **a person, object, or event that prefigured or typified something greater than itself. In the passage before us Adam was a “type” or “pattern” that prefigured Jesus Christ.** Adam was the representative of the human race and his decisions to obey or disobey God had lasting results on all mankind to follow. Because he disobeyed God the effects of that transgression was passed on to every person. Adam fell and we all fell in him (Romans 5:12-21; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28, 45). By contrast Yeshua is the head of a new humanity, **by which He is the representative of all who obey Him.** When we stand before Yeshua we will be gazing into the face of the Holy Majestic God of the universe, but we will also be staring into the face of the perfect man. Yeshua is fully God and fully man

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This is where it gets even more interesting. The Title Son of Man is also understood to have explicit Messianic Kingship implications. One of the most incredible descriptions of the pre-existent glorified Yeshua is the vision beheld by the prophet Daniel in the Old Testament. Here we see The Son of Man described in Daniel 7 as coming before the Ancient of Days and being given all power and dominion and glory and an everlasting kingdom that will never be destroyed.

For the scripture states, "I saw in the night visions, and behold with the clouds of Heaven there came one like the Son of Man and He came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him, and to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is and everlasting dominion which shall not pass away and His kingdom is one that shall not be destroyed," (Daniel 7:13-14). Yeshua knew that by ascribing to Himself the title of the prophesized Son of Man He would also be invoking Messianic declarations about Himself to include everything that had been foretold of the "representative man," (the last Adam), the

Messianic king!!! Not only is Yeshua fully man and here to redeem mankind based on the fact that He is our Kinsman redeemer by and through His flesh and blood on this earth, but when He ascribed the title "Son of Man" to Himself, this would have been understood by Yeshua's hearers as Him ascribing to Himself all authority, dominion, power, glory and supremacy over all things; as such has been handed down to Him by His Father. The fact that Yeshua continuously called Himself the Son of Man is a huge insight into His self understanding. Yeshua did not speak of Himself as being "only" human in His nature and surely did not lead those around Him to believe such about Himself. When those around Yeshua heard Him refer to Himself as Son of Man, they would not have related this title to His Humanity only but would have also understood it as relating to His Kingship!!! This is very important to understand.

The title Son of Man was a chief ancient theological concept pertaining to the arrival of the promised and foretold Messianic Glorified Preeminent King of the Universe, and Yeshua the Christ is that Son of Man! When Yeshua stood before Caiaphas on trial before He was executed, Caiaphas demanded, "I adjure you by the living God; tell us if you are the Christ, the Son of God,"

and Jesus answered him, "You have said so. But I tell you, from now on you will see

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the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of Heaven,” Then the high Priest tore his robes and said, “This man has uttered blasphemy, what further witness do we need? You have heard His blasphemy. What is your judgment?” They answered, “He deserves death!” Then they spit in His face and struck Him,’ (Matthew 26:64-68). Yeshua said, “Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself, and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man,” (John 5:25). John says in revelation 1:13-16, “I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me – one like the Son of man clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around His chest. The hairs on His head were white like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, His feet were like burnished bronze refined in a furnace and His voice was like the roar of many waters – and His face was like the Sun shining in full strength.” When the disciple Stephen was stoned to death in the book of acts, it states, “But he full of the Holy Spirit gazed up into Heaven and saw the glory of God and Yeshua standing at the right hand of God and he said, ‘Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God,’ and as they were stoning him, Stephen cried out ‘Lord Jesus receive my spirit,’ (Acts 7:54-60). Luke 21:25-27 states, “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.” It could be no more clearly understood; Yeshua is God in the flesh but He is also the representative man who has been given all authority, power, dominion and glory over all creation.

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3. YESHUA'S "I Am" Declaration

In most English translations of the Bible, the personal name of God, "YHVH" (I am that I am) has been translated as LORD in all capital letters. The Hebrew people came to regard God's name YHVH with such reverence that they would never take it upon their lips, lest they inadvertently take God's name in vain. As a result, whenever YHVH appeared in scripture, they would substitute it with the word "Adonai" which means "My Lord." In Hebrew grammar, this matter is so serious that the verb "to be" (I am) is never used in the present tense by Orthodox Jews! A Jew will therefore state in Hebrew, "I teacher ... I hungry," omitting the verb "to be" (I am) in the present tense. Usage of the Hebrew verb "hoveh" (I am) would imply one was referring to himself as being the Almighty! Yeshua spoke with unprecedented authority and made astounding claims about Himself. His "I Am" statements are one of the most remarkable examples of Him declaring to be the fullness of God in bodily form. Some of Yeshua's claims include, "I am the way the truth and the life," "I am the door," "I am the living bread which came down from heaven," "I am the alpha and the Omega," "I am the light of the world," "I am from above." What Yeshua said was very shocking and many considered Him guilty of blasphemy by saying "I Am!!!" One of the most shocking "I Am" statements made by Yeshua in all of scripture is found in John chapter 8 and reads, "Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps My word, he will never see death." The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps My word, he will never taste death.' Are You greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do You make Yourself out to be?" Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, My glory is nothing. It is My Father who glorifies Me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.' But you have not known Him. I know Him. If I were to say that I do not know Him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know Him and I

keep His word. Your father Abraham rejoiced that He would see My day. He saw it and was glad." So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, "before Abraham was,

I Am." So they picked up stones to throw at Him, but Jesus hid Himself and went out of the temple." When Yeshua said "I Am," He used the present tense of the verb "to be" implying that He exists outside of time. The crowds immediately picked up on this and thus attempted to stone Him for blasphemy. Yeshua brazenly and deliberately equivocated Himself with the voice that came out of the burning bush in Exodus chapter 3, the

great "I Am." He was calling Himself God and everyone around Him knew exactly what He was doing. This is truly astonishing. The reason Yeshua's listeners accused Him of blasphemy and tried stoning Him on repeated occasions is because He was ascribing to Himself the Name by which God was known by, the great "I Am!" If you remember back to the section "Yeshua the Meaning of the Name," God declared to Moses His name to be "I Am that I Am." This is what Yeshua was doing everywhere He went. He was telling people He is God.

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(John 8:58).**

4. YESHUA-

The Incarnate Revelation of God and the Wisdom of God

In John chapter 1, we see one of the most remarkable proclamations and theologically profound concepts concerning the incarnation of God in the person of Yeshua.

John 1 says, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." In this passage, Yeshua is referred to as the "Word." In Greek, the word for "word" is "logos" and reads like this: **"In the beginning was the logos, and the logos was in fellowship and communion with God, and God was the logos... and the Logos became flesh and dwelt among us."** Logos was one of the most important concepts and terms in the ancient world concerning philosophy and religion. Originally it was a word meaning "speech" or "reason." Greek philosophers in attempting to explain the relationship between God and the universe spoke of an unknown mediator between God and man, "the Logos." The "Logos" was the way in which God revealed Himself to the world, the way in which God interacted with humanity. They asserted that the world is governed by a Logos, a divine force. The Logos was the power that upheld the world, the bond that assured its cohesion, the law that determined its development. For example, in the Old Testament the "word" of God is often seen as an instrument for the execution of God's will. God speaks and things happen; God speaks and universes are created; as seen in the following scriptures: (Psalm 33:6; 107:20; 119:89; 147:15-18). One of the best examples of this is found in Psalm 33:6, **"By the word of Jehovah were the heavens made, and all the host of them by the breath of his mouth."** To the ancients, the Logos was the intelligible structure of the universe active in creating world reasoning. The difference in the Greek mindset is that there was no personal transcendent God like the God of the Old Testament, much less that of the personified Logos in the person of Christ. This is very crucial to understand! The primary function of The Logos, (Yeshua) was to reveal to the world the thoughts, feelings, and actions of God, to make God known to the world. That's why the

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verse says, "The only God who is at the Father's right hand has made Him known" (John 1:18). By John saying "The only God who is at the Father's right hand has made Him known," He is explicitly calling Christ God! In other words, God makes God known, no one else can make God known except for God .God reveals Himself and He did that in the person of Yeshua, the Christ. Yeshua said in Luke 10:22, "**All things have been handed over to Me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him."** Yeshua makes it very clear, He and He alone reveals the Father and makes Him known to the world.

When John says, "**In the beginning WAS the logos and the logos WAS with God and the logos WAS God and He WAS in the beginning with God,**" there are two words in the Greek language for "was." The first form of the word is (*hen*) denoting "absolute existence," and the second form of the word is (*egéneto*) meaning "to come into being." John uses the first word, (*hen*) thus pointing to eternity preceding time and creation. By using the word (*hen*), John is asserting that Yeshua the (logos) had absolute pre-existence. The "Word," or the "logos" (the person of Christ) had no beginning; He always has been and always will be. There was never a point at which Christ the Son of God (the Logos of God) did not exist. That's why

Colossians 1:17 speaking of Christ says, "**He is before all things.**" Yeshua says in Revelation 22:13 "**I am the Alpha and the Omega, the**

beginning and the last." Colossians 2:9 says, "**For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.**" God was making Himself known to the world in the person of Christ. 1 Corinthians 1:22-24 says, "**For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom but we preach Christ Crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called both Jew and Greek **Christ is the power of God and the wisdom of God.**"**

The disclosure of God's creative power within Christ is seen over and over again within scripture. Many of Yeshua's miracles involved creating

something out of nothing, (something only God can do). This included healing paralytics, the deaf, the mute, the blind, casting out evil spirits, raising people from the dead, etc. There are many examples of Yeshua breaking into the natural world with his supernatural authority.

A few examples of the countless miracles Christ performed would be:

1. Yeshua turning 5 loaves of bread and two fish into enough food to feed 5000 hungry people, thus creating food out of nothing, (Mark 6:35-43).
2. Yeshua raised people from the dead thereby regenerating dead tissue, skin cells, etc, therefore implying not only is He the creator, but He has the power over life and death. Some examples are (the widows son, Luke 17:11-17); (a young girl, Matthew 9:23-26) and (Lazarus, John 11:1-44).
3. The night the Roman guards came to take Yeshua to be crucified his disciple Peter cut off one of the guard's ears. Jesus placed his hand over it and immediately it was restored, (Luke 22:49-51).

Written hundreds of years before Christ, Proverbs chapter 8 speaks of the wisdom of God. This divine passage speaks of the eternal pre-existent Christ as the wisdom of God, for it states, "The Lord possessed Me at the beginning of His works, the first of His acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there was no depth I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water...then I was beside Him like a master workman, and I was daily His delight, rejoicing before Him always, rejoicing in His inhabited world and delighting in the children of men," (Proverbs 8 22-36). Again, we see Christ represented with the Father as being the creator in Genesis chapter 1 where the scripture states, "Let us make man in our image according to our likeness." The wisdom of God as stated in the gospel of John chapter 1 became incarnate in the person of Christ, "in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge," (Colossians 2:3). "Because of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God and righteousness and sanctification and redemption," (1 Cor. 1:30). These passages clearly demonstrate that Christ is the wisdom of God. The wisdom, nature and revelation of God are found within His Son Yeshua.

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(1 Cor 1:30)**

5. The Glorification And Transfiguration of YESHUA

Yeshua said when praying to His Father the night of His crucifixion "Father the hour has come, glorify your Son that the Son may glorify You since You have give Him authority over all flesh to give eternal life to all who you have given Him. And this is eternal life that they may know the only true God and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on earth, having accomplished the work You gave Me to do, now Father, glorify Me in you own presence with the glory that I had with You before the world existed. I have manifested Your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world," (John 17:1-6). By Yeshua saying that He is manifesting the Father's name to the world is very important. Yeshua is making known to the world the nature of the His Father.

We see the glory of God manifested in the transfiguration of Yeshua in Matthew 7:1-13. "After six days Yeshua took Peter, James, and John with Him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There **He was transfigured before them.** His clothes became dazzling white, whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them and **His face shown like the sun...** Then a cloud appeared and enveloped them, and a voice came from the cloud: "This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to Him!" The Greek word Transfiguration is the word "metamorpho" and it means to transform, literally or figuratively to metamorphose, or to change. The word is a verb that means to change into another form. It means to change the outside to match the inside. The prefix "meta" means to change and the "morphe" means form. In the case of the transfiguration of Jesus Christ it means to match the outside with the reality of the inside, to change the outward appearance so that it matches the inward reality of who Yeshua is. Yeshua's divine nature, His power, His glory and His splendor was "veiled" in human form and the transfiguration was a mere glimpse of the shekinah glory of God, contained within Himself. For Yeshua states, "Father, I desire that they also whom you have given Me may be with Me where I am, to see My glory that You have given Me because You loved Me before the foundation of the world," (John 17:24). John the Baptist testifies to this truth when he says, "**He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from Heaven is above all,** He bears witness to what He has seen and heard, yet no one receives His testimony.

Whoever receives His testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true; for

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(John 17:5).

He whom God has sent utters the words of

God, for He gives the Spirit without measure," (John 3:31-34).

This fulfills the prophecy in Deuteronomy 18:15-19; Yeshua is the God man of whom Yahweh says: "I will put my words in His mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I shall command Him."

(Deuteronomy 18:18). Jesus Christ was given the spirit of God without any form of limitation. Jesus is not a prophet, and He is not a man who came trying to start a man made religion, He is God in the flesh, "uttering the words of God" as John says. He has been given all power, authority, dominion and kingship over all things, for Jesus says, "All authority in Heaven and on earth has been given to Me," (Matthew 28:18), or again, "Though He was in the form of God, He did not count equality with God something to be grasped but made Himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men." And being found in human form He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him a name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father,"

(Philippians 2:6-10). We can see from the above verse that Jesus Christ existed in the form of God prior to coming to this Earth! This is truly remarkable and clearly refutes any and all assumptions, false doctrines and heresies that assert Jesus Christ is not God. The prophecy in the Old Testament book of Isaiah 45:21 states, "There is no God apart from Me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me. Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other. By Myself I have sworn, My mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before Me every knee will bow; by Me every tongue will swear." Wait how can this be? We just saw from Philippians 2:6-20 that "every knee will bow and tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." How can the God of the Old Testament say that every knee will bow and tongue will swear to Him and yet at the same time the scripture says that "every knee will bow and tongue confess that Jesus is Lord?" The answer is because Jesus is God. Scripture makes that very clear. For it written, "In order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To Him belong glory and dominion forever," (1 Peter 4:11). "For from Him, through Him and to Him are all things," (Romans 11:36). Ephesians 1:19-23 states, "...What is the immeasurable

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greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the **working of His great might that He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in Heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion and above every name that is named,** not only in this age but also in the age to come. And **He put all things under His feet and gave Him as head over all things** to the church, which is His body the fullness of Him who fills all in all." The prophecy in the Old Testament book of Isaiah **concerning the deity of Yeshua the redeemer and savior of mankind** says, "For unto us a **child is born, to us a Son is given,** and the government shall be upon **His shoulders** and **His name** shall be called **Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father and Prince of Peace,**" (Isaiah 9:6-7). Concerning the prophecy of the coming Messiah, Yeshua is also referred to as the "Mighty One of Israel," (Isaiah 30:29). **Here we clearly see the coming messiah "Yeshua" being called MIGHTY GOD! He is also called our Father!** Hebrews 2:5-10 says, "It was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, for what is man that you are mindful of him, or the Son of Man that You care for Him? You made Him a little lower than the angels; **You have crowned Him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under His feet.** Now in putting everything in subjection to Him **He left nothing outside of His control.** At present we do not yet see everything subjected to Him, but we see Him for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Yeshua, crowned with glory and honor **because of the suffering of death so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone.** For it was fitting that He for whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering." Speaking of this kingship He has received Yeshua says, "The one who overcomes I will grant to sit down with Me on my throne just as I have conquered and **sat down with My Father on His throne,** (Revelation 3:21). For it states, "The kingdom of this world has become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ and He shall reign forever and ever," (Revelation 11:15). Jude 1:24 says, "Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the **presence of His glory** with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through **Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority before all time now and forever.**"

It is very clear from scripture; Yeshua has been glorified and is seated with God the Father in the heavenly realms with all power, authority and honor bestowed on Him. It states, "So then the Lord Jesus after He had spoken to them was taken up into heaven and **sat down at the right hand of God,**" (Mark 16:19). And again, "We have such a High Priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven," (Romans 8:1). And again, "Every priest stands daily at his service offering repeatedly the same sacrifices which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, **He sat down at the right hand of God,** waiting from that time until His enemies should be made his footstool for His feet, for by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified," (Romans 10:11-14). And again, "...through the resurrection of Jesus

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80:17 we see the ancient prophecy concerning Yeshua, the one whom God would send into the world, who was before all time and ever will be sitting at the right hand of God, **"Let Thy hand be upon the Man of Thy right hand, upon the Son of Man whom Thou made strong for Thyself."** In the ancient world a person who sat at the right hand of a king would be considered the most important official in the royal court. He was often second in command and acted as the chief administrator of the king's affairs. The fact that Yeshua is continually referred to as being at God's right hand speaks immensely of His authority over the affairs of all creation. In the Old Testament we see one of the most remarkable prophetic scenes concerning the glory and Kingship of Christ the Messiah, **"Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors that the King of glory may come in. Who is he, this King of glory? The LORD Almighty— He is the King of glory,"** (Psalm 24:7-10).

One of the names ascribed to Yeshua by the apostle Paul in book of 1 Timothy is **"The Blessed and Only Potentate."** The word "potentate" comes from the Latin word "potent" which means power. A potentate was a king, monarch or ruler with total power over his subjects. He shared his power with no one, and no earthly council could question his judgment or veto his decisions, **"...until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which in His times He shall show, who is the Blessed and Only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; who alone has immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man has seen, nor can see; to whom be honor and power everlasting. Amen,"** (Timothy 6:14-16). In one of my favorite verses in all of scripture, the apostle Paul states clearly the revelation of the Father's glory in the person of Yeshua, **"For God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' has shown in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of**

Jesus Christ," (2 Corinthians 4:6).

In reference to Yeshua's statement in John 5:25, He is the one pictured in Revelation 5 who opens the seals during the tribulation to release the wrath of God upon the earth. **"The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David has conquered so that He can open the scrolls and its seven seals...Worthy are you to take the scroll and open its seals, for You were slain and by Your blood You ransomed people for God,"** and the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands said with a loud voice cried out, **"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessings!** To

Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessings and honor and glory and might forever and ever," (Revelation 5). There is one final point to make clear on this issue. God says in the Old Testament book of Isaiah 42:8 "I am the LORD that is my name and my glory I will give to no other, nor My praise to carved idols." How can it be that if Yeshua is not God that God would allow Yeshua to be worshipped, glorified and praised throughout all eternity? How could that be? The answer is because Yeshua is God.

6. YESHUA- Worshipped as God

In John9:24-41 we see the story of a blind man healed by Yeshua who is found arguing with the religious authorities over the fact of whether or not Yeshua the one who opened his eyes is in fact the Christ; for it states, "One thing I know, that though I was born blind, now I see. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God He could do nothing." Having found this man again Yeshua said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is He sir that I may believe in Him?" Yeshua said to him, "You have seen Him and it is He who is speaking to you," He said "Lord, I believe," and the man worshiped Him.' This is very significant; for only God can receive worship. If Yeshua is not God why did people worship Him, especially those who were devoutly surrendered to The God of Abraham and Moses? Why do people worship Christ if they already knew who God was, if they already had a God they worshipped? They already had a God and His name is YHVH (I am that I am). The answer is because Yeshua is God; Yeshua is the fullness of the representation of YHVH.

Other examples of Yeshua receiving worship are found in: (Hebrews 1:6), "**Let all the angels worship Him.**" In Matthew 2:11 concerning the birth of Jesus the scripture says "They entered the house and saw the child with His mother, Mary and they bowed down and worshiped Him." In Luke 24:52 after Christ's is crucified He returns to earth in His glorified body and prior to ascending to Heaven it states, "**So they worshiped Him and then returned to Jerusalem filled with great joy.**" Immediately after Yeshua calms the raging storm on the Sea of Galilee the scripture states, "**When they climbed back into the boat the wind stopped and the disciples worshiped Him and claimed 'Surely You are the Son of God,' (Matthew 14:32).**" After Yeshua rose from the dead Matthew 28:8-9 states, "**The women ran quickly from the tomb, and they were greatly frightened but also filled with great joy and they rushed to give the disciples the angel's message. And as they went Yeshua met them and greeted them, and they ran to Him, grasped His feet and worshiped Him.**" Revelation 5:14 states, "**And the four living beings said 'Amen!' And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped the Lamb.**"

In the gospel of Mark 5:1-8 there is a remarkable story that tells of a demon possessed man who encounters Yeshua. The demons within the man are compelled to fall at His feet in complete surrender and worship of Him, for we read, "**They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes, and when Yeshua had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the**

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tombs a man with an unclean spirit. He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones.

And when he saw Yeshua from afar, he ran and fell down before Him and worshiped Him, and crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Yeshua, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." For He was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" This story makes it very evident that this man has no control over himself; rather the demons within him have possessed him and are controlling him. So who was it running to meet Yeshua and fall down and worship Him? Was it not the demons within him? Even the demons in their rebellion of God recognize the authority of Yeshua the Christ and that is why the Bible says "even the demons believe and tremble." Within that recognition of who Yeshua was came quick obedience and reverence through worship. Yeshua is the only one to whom which the demons must obey and submit. If the demons worship Yeshua, how much more should we run to worship Him? Not only is He is worthy of such worship, He is the only one worthy of such worship. For He has paid the price and laid down His life for the sins of us all and has been exalted above all rulers and principalities. He is Lord of all. Yeshua is God--

7. The Title "LORD" Applied to YESHUA

The title Lord is applied to Yeshua in many places throughout the bible. Speaking of the supremacy of God's Son in chapter 1 of the book of Hebrews, it states, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning and the Heavens are the work of Your hands," (Hebrews 1:10). In Acts 2:36 it states, "Therefore let all of Israel be sure of this, God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ." Again, "Whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved," (Acts 2:21). And again, "If you confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead you shall be saved," (Romans 10:9). After the crucifixion of Yeshua, Mary went to the tomb while it was still early and the resurrected Christ appeared to her. Mary goes back and says to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," (John 20:18). And again, Thomas is told by the disciples, "We have seen the Lord," But Thomas said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the marks of the nails and place my hand into His side, I will never believe," Eight days later the disciples were inside again and Yeshua came and stood before them and said, "Peace be with you," and then said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see My hands and put out your hand and place it in My side. Do not disbelieve, but believe,"

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Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:24-29). Acts 10:36-43 states, "As for the word that God sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ that He is Lord of all; you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed, how God anointed Yeshua of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him....He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that He is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and

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the dead. To Him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name."1 Corinthians 8:5-6 states, "We know that an idol has no real existence and that there is no God but one. For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords" – yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist." And we see in Revelation 19:15, "He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty and on His robe and on His thigh He has this name written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords." The proclamation by the New Testament writers of Yeshua is Lord indicate their recognition of His God given authority to rule and their voluntary submission to be ruled by Him. The early Christian's primary creedal statement was that Yeshua is Lord. Peter called Yeshua Lord in John 13:9 and Yeshua affirmed this designation by saying "**You call Me teacher and Lord and you are right, for so I am,**" (John 13:13). What Paul and the New Testament writers meant by their proclamation of Yeshua is Lord implied more than the assertion that He ought to be obeyed fully in regards to His

instructions in righteousness and should be fully submitted to. It implied that He was God. The Word "Lord" applied to Yeshua is the Greek word "Kurios." It is derived from the root word "kuros," meaning "power" or "might." In reference to a person it speaks of one who has control or authority. According to Josephus an ancient Jewish historian writing shortly after the life of Christ, the early Christians refused to call the emperor of Rome lord, because that would have been referring to him as God. The fact that the Early Christians and those around Yeshua referred to Him in this way says volumes of who they believed Yeshua to be. When the apostle Paul says "At the name of Yeshua every knee shall bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of the Father," (Philippians 2:10) he is making reference to the Old Testament scripture Isaiah 45:23 that says, "There is no other God besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none besides Me. Turn to Me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other.

By myself I have sworn; from My mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance." As mentioned earlier, the word "Adonai" meaning Lord in Hebrew was translated in place of Gods name that He revealed Himself to Moses by (YHVH) Meaning I am that I am. This was done so that no one would miss-use His name in vain. So in other words, whenever one would come to Gods name in the Old Testament you would see the word LORD not (YHVH). In the Greek translation of the Hebrew Old Testament, translated in full around 200 AD, the Name of God (YHVH) in the Old Testament has been translated into "Kurios," which is the Greek word for Lord. With this being said, when the early Christians declared Yeshua to be Lord, "Kurios" what they were attesting to is the divinity of Christ, they were attesting that Yeshua reveals YHVH in the flesh. They were asserting that Yeshua is God.

Have you accepted and received Yeshua for who He is? Have you received Him as your Lord and Savior? Is He God to you? John 3:16 says, **"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only begotten Son that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life."** The word "believe" in John 3:16 is "pisteuó" and means to become persuaded to the point of entrusting ones self completely to the care of another. This verse is not saying just because you believe Jesus is Gods Son and believe facts about Him you are saved. **Salvation is you placing your trust completely in Yeshua and relying on His blood and nothing else to save you.** Yeshua wants to have a relationship with you. That is why He created you. He prayed to His Father before His crucifixion, **"Father, I desire that they also whom you have given Me may be with Me where I am, to see My glory that You have given Me because You loved Me before the foundation of the world,"** (John 17:24). Yeshua came to rescue you to be with Him. The reason you come to Yeshua is because you want to be with Him. He didn't die to just save you from you sins; He died so that you could be united with Him for all eternity. As Yeshua said, He has an eternity of eternities for you to "be with Him where He is." Yeshua said **"I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am,"** (John 14:2).

Now that you have a better understanding of who Yeshua is, my hope is that you will find Him beautiful, that you will see Him for the glorious and precious gift from God that He is to us. May God birth a desire in your heart to want to know Him more and more everyday and may you as the scripture states **"Consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish that I may gain Christ,"** (Philippians 3:8).

Revelation 1:5-6 **“To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever.”**

-----Blessed be Your Name Yeshua. Thank you for your sacrifice, thank You for Your blood You shed on the cross. May You receive for all eternity the praise and honor that is do your Holy Name; may You be magnified and exalted forever and ever. May we have the undeserved privilege of seeing Your glory and worshiping You in your majestic splendor for all time and forever. We can't wait to see Your face. We love you Yeshua.