



*The  
Deity  
of  
Christ*

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Just a few examples from the Old Testament:

Deuteronomy 4:35, 39

Isaiah 45:5, 14, 18, 21, 22; 44:6, 8

Just a few examples from the New Testament:

James 2:19

Galatians 3:20

Romans 3:30



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Examples: Isaiah 46:6-9

Philippians 3:19



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As repeatedly testified by:

Isaiah 46:5 & 9

Isaiah 40:18, 25

Psalms 89:6

Exodus 15:11

(see also: Deuteronomy 33:26; Psalm 113:5; Jeremiah 10:6)



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- (4) The being and nature of this ONE God is far more complex than what has been revealed, or than our ability to comprehend.**

As summed up in Job 26 – especially v.14

“How small a whisper we hear of Him,  
but the thunder of His power, who can understand?”



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### **Several important Scriptural phrases affirming the deity of Christ:**

John 1:1, 14 – The Word was God ... the Word became flesh.

John 20:28, 29 – Thomas: “My Lord and my God.”

1 Timothy 3:16 – God manifest in the flesh.

Colossians 2:8,9 – In Him dwells the fullness of the Godhead bodily.

Matthew 1:23 – Immanuel / “God with us”.

John 8:58 – Before Abraham was, I AM.

Acts 20:28 – God has purchased the church with His own blood.



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### **Stated equality with God:**

#### OT:

Isaiah 40:25 – “With whom shall I [Jehovah] be equal?”

#### NT:

Philippians 2:6 – “Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God.”

John 5:18 – “making Himself equal with God.”

John 10:30-33 – “you, being a man, make yourself God.”

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### **Paul's statements about worshipping Christ:**

Philippians 2:10 – “every knee shall bow”

Colossians 1:18 – “in all things Christ should have the pre-eminence.”

**Both are blasphemous statements if Christ is not God, because:**

- A god is a being that is worshipped.
- There is only ONE God.

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**Attributes of Christ in the NT are the same as those of “God only” in the OT (Jehovah of the OT / Christ of the NT)**

**Creator** - OT: Genesis 1:1  
NT: John 1:1-3, 14; Colossians 1:16.

**Judge** - OT: Psalm 75:7  
NT: John 5:22

**King of Israel** - OT: Isaiah 44:6  
NT: John 1:49

**Light** - OT: Psalm 27:1  
NT: John 8:12

**First and Last** - OT: Isaiah 44:6; 48:12  
NT: Revelation 1:11,17; 22:13

**Shepherd** - OT: Psalm 23:1  
NT: John 10:11

**Saviour** - OT: Isaiah 43:11  
NT: Titus 2:13;  
compare with Titus 3:4, 5 and 1:3, 4

## But what about ...?

- “This is My beloved Son” (Matthew 3 & Matthew 17)
- Is Christ God ... or the Son of God? (mentioned many times in NT)
- Who did Christ pray to? e.g. in Gethsemane (Matthew 26:39)
- “My God, why have you forsaken Me?” (Matthew 27:46)
- “I am ascending to My Father ... and My God” (John 20:17)
- Seated at God’s right hand (Ephesians 1:20)

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“I and the Father are one”  
John 10:30

**This verse shows both unity and distinction.**

In terms of deity, or “God-ness”, the Father and the Son are one.

In terms of humanity, there is a distinction.

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**G O D**

Father

Christ (the Son)

*The deity of Christ,  
and His relationship  
to God the Father.*

worship

**M a n k i n d**

- *There is only one God (James 2:19).*
- *God is superior to mankind and worthy of worship (Matthew 4:10).*
- *Christ, who is God in the flesh, is superior to mankind and worthy of mankind's worship (John 5:23).*
- *Within the Godhead, Christ the Son is subservient to God the Father (John 5:30; 1 Corinthians 15:24,28).*

## In Summary ...

- There is only ONE God.
- This God, and His manifestations are complex.
- Christ's deity and humanity are both affirmed by many Scriptures.

### Christ's deity:

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