

JESUS THE SON OF GOD

THE STORY

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Chapter Twenty five

Mark 8:27-29

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²⁷ Jesus went out, along with His disciples, to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way He questioned His disciples, saying to them, “Who do people say that I am?” ²⁸ They told Him, saying, “John the Baptist; and others *say* Elijah; but others, one of the prophets.” ²⁹ And He *continued* by questioning them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered and said to Him, “You are the Christ.”

YOU ARE THE MESSIAH

Some Popular Answers to Jesus' Identity Question

1. Jesus, you are a Decent Fellow

If Jesus had a business card, it would have read

Jesus Christ Son of Men

The phrase Son of Man appears in the four gospels 80 times

The Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head

They will see the Son of Man coming

The Son of Man must suffer many things

Daniel 7:13-14

I kept looking in the night visions, and behold,
with the clouds of heaven

One like a Son of Man was coming, and He
came up to the Ancient of Days

And was presented before Him.

Daniel 7:13-14

¹⁴ And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a kingdom,

That all the peoples, nations and *men of every* language might serve Him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away;

And His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.

The Seven “I AM” Statements in John

1. THE BREAD OF LIFE

THEN JESUS DECLARED, “I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE. HE WHO COMES TO ME WILL NEVER GO HUNGRY, AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN ME WILL NEVER BE THIRSTY. (JOHN 6:35)

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2. THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

WHEN JESUS SPOKE AGAIN TO THE PEOPLE, HE SAID, “I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. WHOEVER FOLLOWS ME WILL NEVER WALK IN DARKNESS, BUT WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE.” (JOHN 8:12)

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3. **THE GATE**

I AM THE GATE; WHOEVER ENTERS THROUGH ME WILL BE SAVED. HE WILL COME IN AND GO OUT, AND FIND PASTURE. (JOHN 10:9)

The Seven “I AM” Statements in John

4. THE GOOD SHEPHERD

“I AM THE GOOD SHEPHERD. THE GOOD SHEPHERD LAYS DOWN HIS LIFE FOR THE SHEEP.” (JOHN 10:11)

The Seven “I AM” Statements in John

5. THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE

JESUS SAID TO HER, “*I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE. HE WHO BELIEVES IN ME WILL LIVE, EVEN THOUGH HE DIES; AND WHOEVER LIVES AND BELIEVES IN ME WILL NEVER DIE.*”

(JOHN 11:25-26)

The Seven “I AM” Statements in John

6. THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE

JESUS ANSWERED, “I AM THE WAY AND THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE. NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME.” (JOHN 14:6)

The Seven “I AM” Statements in John

7. THE VINE

“I AM THE VINE; YOU ARE THE BRANCHES. IF A MAN REMAINS IN ME AND I IN HIM, HE WILL BEAR MUCH FRUIT; APART FROM ME YOU CAN DO NOTHING.” (JOHN 15:5)

The Seven “I AM” Statements in John

John 8:58

⁵⁸ Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I AM.”

Some Popular Answers to Jesus' Identity Question

2. Jesus is a Demented Fool

Over a 100 years ago, one historian wrote, “The first followers of Jesus stand like a row of noble pillars towering far across the space of time but the sunshine that shines on them that makes them visible comes entirely from Jesus.”

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3. Jesus Was a Deceived Vain Fraud

In around 120 A.D. there was a man by the name of **Qua Deus** who wrote a letter to the emperor Hadrian Defending Christianity. His apologetic included this very interesting sentence

The works of our Savior were lasting for they were genuine

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4. Jesus is THE MESSIAH-
He is a Divine Friend