## Is Jesus Christ also God, or just a special anointed man who was chosen of God to save us?

The first reason I see why Jesus came as a Man is that, it was destined before the foundation of the world. This was part of God's master plan, you can read more about this <u>by clicking here</u>. We generally tend to make everything revolve around us, ie. the search and rescue plan for mankind. However, we need to remember, it's not about us, it's all about Him. Therefore, I urge you to first read about God's master plan.

Jesus was and is 100% God and 100% Man (the Son of God & the Son of Man), the (God-Man). To understand why God, (the Word), came down to earth born as a man, we must go back to the very beginning.

When God created man, Genesis 1:26-28, at that time God set man in a position over the earth and the things upon the earth. When Adam sinned by eating of the forbidden fruit, Genesis 3:6. he lost his position and brought sin and death into the earth. This was done by a man and only a man could reverse it.

Through many years of prophets speaking the Word and prophesying His birth, Isaiah 7:14, the Word was made flesh, John 1:14. He emptied Himself of His deity, Philippians 2:7-8, and was born of a woman, Matthew 1:23, the Child was born of a woman and the Son was given to us by God, Isaiah 9:6, (for the Son "the Word", had always existed). Jesus' biological mother was Mary, and His Father was God's Word, for the Holy Spirit came upon the virgin Mary, Luke 1:35.

Showing that Jesus was a man, the Son of Man, is pretty easy. All we need to do is look at the New Covenant aka. the blood Covenant, Hebrews 12:12-29, that through the shedding of His own blood, He provided for us a better covenant, much better than the blood of bulls and goats.

Showing that Jesus is God, the Son of God. We can not necessary look at His active earthly ministry, for Jesus operated as a man anointed by God throughout His entire 3 year ministry. We need to look at past prophecy of how prophets, of how a virgin would conceive and call his name Emanuel, "God with us," Isaiah 7:14, and Isaiah 9:6, how the Word became flesh and dwelt with us, John 1:14, and the virgin birth, where the Holy Ghost came upon Mary, and the power of the Highest overshadowed her: and the holy Child was called the Son of God, Luke 1:35.

During His earthly ministry, scripture does give us a few signs of this also. I have listed verses that claim Jesus to be the Son of God. For the full paper, <u>click here</u>.

- Old Testament prophecy foretells of His coming; Isaiah 9:6.
- His name will be, Emmanuel, Jesus the Son of God; Matthew 1:23, Luke 1:35.
- God acknowledged Jesus as His Son; Matthew 3:17, Mark 1:11, Mark 9:7.
- His disciples acknowledged Jesus as the Son of God; Matthew 14:33, John 6:69, John 20:28.
- Jewish leaders accused Jesus of being the Son of God; Matthew 27:43, John 19:7.
- The sick referred to Him as, the Son of David or the Son of God; Matthew 8:29, Mark 3:11, Luke 8:28.
- Jesus said that He was the Messiah; *Matthew 26:64, Mark 14:62, Luke 22:70, John 4:26, John 9:37, John 10:36.*

