

PROOF OF THE DEITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

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“In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. . . . All things were made by him” (1:1, 3).

Here is the proof of Christ's Deity:

(1) He existed eternally before coming to our world (1:1; 17:5).

(2) He is definitely called God (1:1; 20:28). Many times He is called the Son of God, a name that signifies Deity, equality with the Father (5:19-29).

(3) He is the Creator of the universe (1:1-3).

(4) He possesses the real life, the eternal Being of God, “life in himself” (1:4; 5:26).

(5) He came into the world to be the Saviour of mankind—a work only God could do. His death atoned for the sin of the race (1:29).

(6) He has all the powers and characteristics of God. He is **all-powerful** (5:19). His miracles were a demonstration of His power (see 14:10, 11). He is **all-knowing** (1:48; 4:29; 5:20; 13:19; 16:30). He is **omnipresent** (3:13).

(7) He holds the offices of God and does the work of God. He is to be **believed in**, even as the Father is (14:1). He saves the souls of men and **forgives sins** (3:18; 5:24; 8:11). Only God can forgive sins (Mark 2:7). He **receives human worship** (9:38). Worship is for God only. Christ is to be honored, worshipped, the same as the Father (5:23). He will **resurrect all men**, both the saved and the lost, and He will be the final **Judge of all mankind** (5:28, 29; 5:22, 27).

(8) He has the character of God, being **sinless and perfect in being** (8:46; 5:19; 19:4), and **perfect in love** (13:1; 15:12; see I John 4:8). He is perfectly loved by the Father—showing His perfection (15:10; 17:24).

(9) The final proof and sign of the Deity of Christ is His **resurrection from the dead**. See notes on 2:19; 20:1, 8, 16, 24.

Here are some references directly to the Deity of Christ: 1:1-3, 14, 18, 34, 41, 49; 3:16, 35; 4:26, 42; 5:18-23, 25-27; 6:14, 69; 8:12, 23, 58; 9:35-38; 10:30; 11:25-27; 14:1, 6, 8-11; 16:27; 17:3, 5, 24, 25; 18:8; 19:7; 20:28, 31. See the note on 5:31.

Christ is God! What a Saviour we have! He is infinite in power, perfect in love. You may safely trust Him with the salvation of your soul.