

## ***Our Savior Jesus Is A Man - The Second Adam***

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The Chapter is titled, "The Man Christ Jesus"*

Jesus Christ is the supernaturally conceived, virgin born, sinless Son of God. He is the perfect man, unique man, the mirror image of God, "*the express **image** of His person,*" but **man nevertheless** .  
"*One mediator between God and men, **the man** Christ Jesus"* (I Tim. 2:5)

### **Jesus himself said so .**

- "*But now ye seek to kill me, **a man** that has told you the truth, **which I have heard of God** "* (John 8:40).
- "*Greater love hath no **man** than this, that **a man** lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends...*" (John 15:13-14).
- "*If I had not done among them the works which **none other man** did, they had not had sin"* (John 15:24). Please note: Jesus never once in Scripture said he is God, but these three times he clearly referred to himself as a **man** .

### **The Old Testament Prophets said so.**

- "***A man** of sorrows and acquainted with grief"* (Isa. 53:3).
- "*David shall never want **a man** to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel"* (Jer. 33:17).
- "*Awake, O sword against **the man** that is my fellow"* (Zech. 13:7; Matt. 26:31).
- "*And **this man** shall be the peace"* (Micah 5:5)

### **John the Baptist said so.**

- "*After me cometh **a man** who is preferred before me"* (John 1:30).
- "*All things that John spoke of **this man** were true"* (John 10:41).

### **The Apostle Paul said so.**

- "*Through **this man** is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins"* (Acts 13:38).
- "*(God) will judge the world...by **that man** whom he hath ordained"* (Acts 17:31).
- "*The gift of grace, which is by **one man** , Jesus Christ"* (Rom. 5:15).
- "***Every man** in his own order: Christ the firstfruits"* (in resurrection) (I Cor. 15:23).
- "*And being found in fashion as **a man** "* (Phil. 2:8).
- "*Put on the **new man** "* (Christ) (Col. 3:10).
- "*For there is **one God** , and one mediator between God and men, **the man Christ Jesus** "* (I Tim. 2:5).

### **The writer of Hebrews said so.**

- "*For **this man** was counted worthy of more glory than Moses"* (Heb. 3:3).
- "*But **this man** ...hath an unchangeable priesthood"* (Heb. 7:24).
- "*It is of necessity that **this man** have somewhat to offer"* (Heb. 8:3).
- "*But **this man** ...sat down on the right hand of God"* (Heb. 10:12).

**Jesus is the second Adam, not the first God-man.** Listen to the Apostle Paul.

- "For since **by man came death** , **by man came also** the resurrection of the dead. For as in **Adam** all die, even so in **Christ** shall all be made alive" (I Cor. 15:21-22).
- "The **first man Adam** was made a living soul: the **last Adam** was made a quickening spirit" (I Cor. 15:45). "The **first man ...the second man**" (v. 47).

Jesus as "**the last Adam** " was genetically equal to the "**first man Adam** ." Adam was created by God from the dust in Genesis one. Jesus was created by God (*the Holy Ghost*) in the womb of the virgin Mary in Matthew one and Luke one (*Matt. 1:20; Luke 1:32, Rev. 3:14; Col. 1:15 & 3:10*) . Study carefully Galatians 4:4:

"But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, **made of a woman, made under the law.**" The word "made" is "ginomai" in Greek and means "to generate - cause to come into being". This was a **creative act** of the Holy Spirit and not an incarnation.

**Jesus is a glorified man at the right hand of God.**

- "Jesus of Nazareth, **a man** approved of God" (Peter speaking of the ascended Jesus, at Pentecost) (*Acts 2:22*) .
- "Behold, I see the heavens opened and **the Son of man** standing on the right hand of God" (Stephen) (*Acts 7:56*).

Note: Jesus is called "*Son of man*" 84 times in the Gospels and it means "*a human being.*" The phrase comes from Psalms 8:6 according to Hebrews 2:6. God called Ezekiel "*son of man*" 90 times in the book of Ezekiel. Whatever Ezekiel was as to manhood, Jesus was. Jesus came as a human being. He had a human body, mind, spirit, soul, will and personality. The "*first Adam*" was made with a sinless nature, but as an act of his will he sinned anyway. The "*last Adam*" was made sinless, with blood untainted by the sin of the first Adam, and as an act of his will he "*did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth*" (*I Peter 2:22*) . He did it, not as a God-man, but as **a man** . Jesus "*condemned sin in the flesh*" (*Rom. 8:3*). "**Wherefore** God also hath highly exalted him" (*Phil. 2:9*) .

**What held Jesus and kept him from sinning, though "*he himself suffered being tempted*" (*Heb. 2:18*)?**

1. His awesome God awareness . "*I must be about my Father's business*" (*Luke 2:49*).
2. His Love for God his Father . "*I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do*" (*John 14:31*). "*I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love*" (*John 15:10*).
3. His fear of God . "*The spirit of the Lord (God) shall rest upon him (Messiah) , the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord ; and shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord*" (*Isa. 11:2-3*). Christ prayed "*with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared*" (*Heb. 5:7*). "*Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered*" (*Heb. 5:8*). "*Immediately the Spirit driveth him into the wilderness*" (*Mark 1:12*).

**Jesus is coming to reign on earth for 1000 years as a glorified man.**

- "And then shall they see **the Son of man** coming in the clouds with **great power and glory**" (*Mark 13:26; Matt. 24:30; Luke 21:27*).

- *"Nevertheless, when **the Son of man cometh** , shall he find faith on the earth" (Luke 18:8).*

And we shall be like him, not Gods but glorified men, who have attained immortality through Jesus' death, burial and resurrection.

- *"Beloved, **now are we the sons of God** , and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, **we shall be like him** ; for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2).*

**Listen to Jesus' own words.**

- *"The honor that cometh from the **one and only God ...the Father**" (John 5:44-45 NASB).*
- *" (Father) this is life eternal that they may know thee **the only true God** " (John 17:3).*
- *" **One** is your **Father** , which is in heaven" (Matt. 23:9).*
- *"I ascend unto **my Father** , and **your Father** ; and to **my God** , and **your God** " (John 20:17).*
- *"These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, **the beginning of the creation of God** " (Rev. 3:14).*

Love in Christ Jesus,  
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