



# JESUS CHRIST

## God In The Flesh

Ephesians 4:1-6

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- "Neither human effort nor the emperor's generosity nor the placating of the gods ended the scandalous belief that the fire had been ordered [by Nero]. Therefore, to put down the rumor, Nero substituted as culprits and punished in the most unusual ways those hated for their shameful acts...whom the crowd called "Chrestians." The founder of this name, Christ [Christus in Latin], had been executed in the reign of Tiberius by the procurator Pontius Pilate...Suppressed for a time, the deadly superstition erupted again not only in Judea, the origin of this evil, but also in Rome.."

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- *"Being therefore this kind of person [i.e., a heartless Sadducee], Ananus, thinking that he had a favorable opportunity because Festus had died and ablinus was still on his way, called a meeting [literally, "sanhedrin"] of judges and brought into it the brother of Jesus-who-is-called-Messiah ... James by name, and some others. He made the accusation that they had transgressed the law, and he handed them over to be stoned."*

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- **The Atheist:** Jesus was simply a good, moral teacher. He was not resurrected from the dead.
- **The Jehovah's Witness:** Jesus was a created by God prior to creation. He is not equal to God the Father.
- **The Mormon:** Jesus was once a man just like us. He was created by God and progressed to be equal to God.
- **The Muslim:** Jesus was just a great messenger of God.
- **The Jew:** Jesus was a well known Jewish teacher.

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Our beliefs concerning the nature of Jesus will define our faiths.

We can have confidence in the deity of Jesus based upon Biblical evidence.

- The Power Of Jesus (Mark 2:5-7 & John 10:37,38)
- The Words Of Jesus (John 8:58 & John 10:30-33)
- The Words Of The Apostles (John 1:1 & John 20:28)
- The Words Of Paul (Colossians 2:9 & Titus 2:13)

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