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 Mormonism	Along with Lucifer, the spirit child of the god 'Elohim' and one of his celestial wives, near the planet 'Kolob'. 'Elohim' then had sexual intercourse with the virgin Mary on earth to give Jesus a physical body.	The eldest son [Jesus] said: "Here am I;...But the <b>second one, which was Lucifer</b> , son of the morning"...The birth of the Saviour was as natural as the births of our children...the result of natural action...begotten of his Father. <sup>16</sup>	"Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the <b>Holy Ghost</b> ." <sup>17</sup>
 Islam	A muslim, born of the virgin Mary. Nothing more than a prophet and only permitted to do miracles by Al-lah ('the- god's') permission.	<b>Christ</b> , the son of Mary, was no more than a <b>Messenger</b> ; many were the Messengers ...before him. His mother was a woman of truth. They had both to eat their food." <sup>18</sup>	"Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him...but said also that God was his Father, <b>making himself equal with God</b> ." <sup>19</sup>
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 Judaism	A magician, the son of a prostitute Mary by an evil spirit. He died like a beast and was buried in Gehenna [hell]. <sup>22</sup>	"An evil spirit came and slept with me [Mary] and from this intercourse my son was born to me." <sup>22</sup>	"And there came a voice from heaven, <i>saying</i> , Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." <sup>23</sup>

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"And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof."<sup>2</sup> The first wo-man, Eve, was named by Adam because she was made from the genetic material of his rib<sup>3</sup>. Because they sinned their children [Cain, Able, Seth and sisters] were genetically damaged<sup>4</sup>. Nevertheless the human DNA pool at this early stage was 'healthy' enough so they could marry each other and have babies without birth defects<sup>5</sup>.



From Jesus' [step] father Joseph's family<sup>6</sup>, his ancestry can be traced seventy-five generations to the first man Adam<sup>7</sup>. Since Jesus was a real man, his relations right back to Adam were also real men. This qualified him physically for the title 'Son of man'-he had men's blood flowing through his veins.

Jesus was: born in Bethlehem; dedicated in Jerusalem; age 2 [back in Bethlehem] taken to Egypt (to escape King Herod); returned to Israel, growing up in the town of Nazareth in Galilee. In Jerusalem at Passover time, aged 12, he was found in the temple teaching the law PhD's. At 30 his ministry began-the 15<sup>th</sup> year of Tiberius Caesar's reign [c28AD].

In opposition to the first man of earth, Jesus is the second man from heaven:

**"The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven."<sup>8</sup>**

In his incarnation Jesus willingly became a servant, submitting his will entirely to the Father's. As God in flesh all his power was there to use, including his omnipresence:

"Nathanael said unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee...And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." **John 1.48; 3.13**

Speaking of himself, Jesus said the Son of man would be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be killed, and rise again the third day. Adam and every other man in history had polluted blood, unacceptable for sacrifice in God's eyes. Jesus' blood was untainted by sin and after being shed nearly 2,000 years ago is still able to pay for any man or woman's transgressions. This payment will not do any good unless you acknowledge your sins, and are willing to come to his cross of Calvary in repentance.

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**"Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature...And he is before all things...who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things he might have the preeminence."** **Colossians 1.15,17a,18c-e**

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