

## SON OF MARY?

The Koran defines "Isa" as "**son of Mary**", mentioning the title 32 times. However, Jesus calls himself "**Son of man**" (84 times), never once "son of Mary". Furthermore, at Cana he simply addressed Mary as "woman" [Jn 2.4], and when she wanted to speak with him he nonchalantly replied, "Who is my mother?" [Mt 12.48]. The Koran's Isa and Bible's Jesus clearly identify themselves differently.

As **Son of man**, Jesus claims to be the archetype of mankind, the best, certainly *not* Muhammad as the Koran claims in Q33.21, etc. Daniel 7.13 also equates Jesus, Son of man, with the Son of God:

"I saw in the night visions, and, behold, **one like the Son of man came with the clouds** of heaven, and **came to the Ancient of days**, and they brought him near before him."

The "Ancient of days" sits on God's throne [Dn 7.9], so is God, and the Son of man/Son of God sits at his right hand. *He* will also return riding on the clouds:

"...Again the high priest asked him, and said unto him, **Art thou the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?** And Jesus said, **I am: and ye shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.**" Mark 14.61-62

Here Jesus declares Himself Son of God *and* Son of man. Islamic eschatology teaches its "Isa" will one day come down from heaven to both judge and rule:

"The Hour will not begin until **'Eisa bin Maryam comes down as a just judge and ruler**. He will break the cross, kill the pigs and abolish the Jizya, and wealth will become so abundant that no one will accept it." SIB 4078

Since God alone is judge and ruler ("Al-Hakam"), Islam is putting *Jesus* as God, just like the Bible.

The Son of man: commands the angels [Mt 13.41]; sits on a throne of glory [Mt 19.28]; forgives sins [Mk 2.10]; is Lord of the sabbath [Mk 2.28]; and is in heaven and earth at the same time [Jn 3.13]. This is not a mere man the "son of Mary", but God!

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## HIS MESSAGE

In the Koran Muslims are commanded to believe in everything "Isa" revealed from God. What was his message?

1. Teach the Torah and the Gospel; what people should eat and store in their houses [?!] [Q3.48-50].
2. Not to worship him *and his mother* as gods [Q5.116].
3. Deny his crucifixion and death [Q4.157-9].

Apart from 1. which simply directs Muslims to the *Christian Bible*, Isa's teachings are *negatives*, to deny what is actually found in their Bible! This is a fatal dilemma for Muslims; commanded to follow "Isa", but when they open the Bible it immediately contradicts Islam.

Since the Bible **nowhere teaches Mary is God**, the command not to worship her is moot. Jesus however *is* worshipped by many, and the Bible never condemns them: the wise men from the east [Mt 2.11]; lepers [Mt 8.2]; the disciples [Mt 14.33]; evil spirits [Mk 5.6]; the 24 elders [Rv 4.10]; all the angels [Rv 7.11].

Jesus' message in the Bible is to:

1. Believe in him as one believes in God:  
"Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me." John 14.1
2. Believe Jesus as the only way to the Father:  
"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14.6
3. Believe Jesus is God, as is the Father:  
"...he that hath seen me hath seen the Father." John 14.9

AV: Authorized Version; Q: Koran surah; Cl: Colossians; Dn: Daniel; Dt: Deuteronomy; Ex: Exodus; Gn: Genesis; Jb: Job; Jn: John; JT: Jami' at-Tirmidhi; Lk: Luke; Mk: Mark; Mt: Matthew; Ps: Psalm; Sm: Samuel; SM: Sahih Muslim; Rv: Revelation

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# JESUS: PROPHET OF GOD

*MUSLIMS LOVE  
ISA, NOT JESUS!*

Only a prophet?

Son of God?

Son of man, or son of Mary?

LEARN THE BASICS

## JESUS AS GOD

Jesus is a figure both loved and revered by billions the world over, yet amongst these are the **confused Muslims** who respect him as a prophet, but lower than Muhammad.

Christians believe Jesus is God, part of a Trinity, and that he was manifest on Earth as a man. He was born, ate food, slept, and prayed, none of which means he stopped being God.

However, the Muslim claims anyone who is a man and has human attributes is imperfect and ungodly *by definition*, yet this is only 'proof' from his bias. When Jesus prayed, he did so to his Father; God **the Son** talking with God **the Father**:

Matthew 26.39, AV: "And he went a little farther, and fell on his face, and **prayed**, saying, O my father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou *wilt*."

Jesus was indeed **that prophet** foretold by Moses. Acts 3.20, AV: "And he shall send **Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:**"

A Prophet, or Seer [I Sm 9.9], declares the future with 100% accuracy. Since God Himself does this, calling Jesus a prophet does no damage to him being God.

Muslims also point to Jesus calling the Father *greater* than him in John 14.28: ""I go unto the Father: for **my Father is greater than I**". The Father *is* indeed 'greater' than the Son, but in what sense? **The Father is head of the Son in the Godhead**, in which the Holy Spirit proceeds from Father to Son. 'Greater' relates to role in the Godhead, not being less than God.

If Jesus were God, surely people would have worshipped him as such? The most famous example is **Thomas Didymus**, who said this after seeing the resurrected Jesus with his own eyes:

"And **Thomas** answered and **said unto him, My Lord and my God.**" John 20.28, AV

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## SON OF GOD

The Koran (Q19.35) says Allah has begotten no son, "It is not befitting to Allah that He should beget a son," so the Muslim must reject Jesus being the only begotten Son of God ("humans have human children", "what does it mean for God to have a child?").

Allah and the Muslims mistakenly take this to mean God physically *gave birth* to a son, just as any creature does. This is why Q6.101 exists:

"He is the Originator of the heavens and the earth. **How can he have children when he has no wife?** He created all things and He is the All-Knower of everything." [M. Khan]

Allah's wrong-headed thinking has nothing to do with the Bible. God the Father has an **uncreated** Son by the very nature of God. Allah admits he is *not* like God and needs a female god like him to have a son.

It is true the Bible reveals a number of *mutually exclusive* classes of sonship; created angels [Gn 6.2; Jb 1.6]; Adam [Lk 3.38]; the whole nation of Israel [Ex 4.22]; adopted Christians [Jn 1.12], none of which lessens Jesus' exalted position as Son of God.

According to the Quran [Q9.30], the Jews *also* claim to believe in a messianic son of God: "**The Jews call 'Uzair [Ezra] a son of Allah** ... That is a saying from their mouth ... Allah's curse be on them." However, nowhere in the Bible is Ezra the prophet called this, nor outside it in all of Judaism!

Another objection by the Muslims is Jesus is called a *servant* of God: "Behold **my servant**, whom I have chosen; **my beloved**, In whom my soul is well pleased..." [Mt 12.18]. One can be both Son *and* servant together *without contradiction*. Jesus also fulfilled the prophecy of **Isaiah 42: judge** of the earth and **light** of the Gentiles. These are also names of 'Allah': *Al-Hakam* ("The Judge") and *An-Noor* ("The Light").

"Behold **my servant**, whom I uphold; mine elect, *in whom* my soul delighteth; I have put **my spirit upon him: he shall bring forth judgement to the Gentiles.**"

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## BIRTH & MIRACLES

Jesus' **birth** was a miracle: conceived by the **Holy Ghost** [Mt.1.21] in the **virgin** Mary [Mt 1.23] of King David's line [Lk 3.23-33], in the **tribe** of Judah as required by Moses [Dt 18.18]. Even the Koran in Q4.171 calls its 'Isa' the **Word** of Allah and a **spirit** from him.

Since Jesus had no earthly father Muslims say, 'But Adam had neither father *nor* mother!' This wrongly assumes they're the same per Q3.59: "The similitude of Jesus before Allah is as that of Adam; He created him from dust, then said to him: '**Be**'. **And he was.**"

'Adam' was *not* just created with a simple 'be'; on Friday before sunset, Allah went through a **process** of fashioning a **60-cubit tall man** in his own image from clay with **his hands!** [JT 2134; SM 2841]. Muslims also deny man is created in God's image.

Jesus is God's *eternal* Word who was made flesh [Jn 1.14]. Having no parents can't make Adam eternal, and in fact it was *Jesus* who created *him* [Cl 1.16]. Jesus is worshipped because of His nature, *not* whether he had no father, no father or mother, or father and mother.

On miracles, a Biblical prophet doesn't need any, for in Luke 7.28 Jesus called John Baptist the greatest of prophets. yet he did none [Jn 10.41]. However, Jesus had to perform miracles to show the people He was God, like walking on the sea [Jb 9.8; Mt 14.25], and calming the storm [Ps 107.29; Mk 4.39].

Since Muslims claim Muhammad is greater than Jesus, it's obvious they need him to perform at least *some* miracles. Thus his: 'split moon', secret overnight Jerusalem round trip; and 'finger-faucets'.

Even if Muhammad's 'miracles' *were* true, The impassible gulf between him and Jesus is the latter acts from his own essence, *not* merely God's permission. This was how Jesus raised up Lazarus:

"Jesus said unto her, **I am the resurrection, and the life:** he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live ... And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, **Lazarus, come forth.**"

John 11.25,43 AV

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