

Who is Jesus?  
Part 2B  
Did Jesus say He was God?

**I. Jesus confirmed what others said about His deity**

- Jesus not only said He was God, but when others implied that He was God He confirmed it and did not rebuke them
- Matthew 26:63-65
  - He was questioned here about His deity
  - He confirmed it in verse 64
- Matthew 16:13-20
  - Notice Jesus did not get onto Peter and try to correct Him.
  - He confirmed Peter's answer and said that the Father revealed that to Peter.
- Luke 1:39-44
  - The deity of Christ was declared while He was in the womb
- The penalty for blasphemy is death
  - If Jesus were not God and only pretending to be God, then we would have expected Him to recant after a period of time. He never did and He always confirmed His deity when other brought it up!

**II. Jesus said and demonstrated He was sinless**

- What is sin?
  - Sin in short terms is an offence in the sight of God
    - Omission- Not doing what God wants us to do or prompts us to do is a sin called omission
    - Commission- Doing those that God has prohibited us to do
    - Romans 3:23 "All have sinned and fallen short of God's glory"
- Jesus was tempted yet was without sin
  - Luke 4:1-13 and Hebrews 4:14-16
- Jesus' sinless condition meets the requirements of the law
  - Exodus 12:3-4 The requirements for the Passover lamb
  - John 1:29 Upon seeing Jesus for one of the first times John stated "Behold the lamb of God which takes away the sins of the world."
- Others stated that Jesus was sinless
  - John- 1 John 3:5 and 1 John 1:8-10
  - Peter- 1 Peter 1:18-19, 1 Peter 2:21-22, and 1 Peter 3:18
  - Paul- II Corinthians 5:21
  - The thief on the cross Luke 23:41

**III. Jesus forgave sins**

- **Examples**
  - Luke 7:48 Jesus forgives a woman who has a repentant heart
  - Luke 5:20-21 Jesus healed a lame man after He had forgiven the man of his sins
  - John 8:11 Jesus forgave this woman because He did not stone her, but He did say go and sin no more.

**IV. Jesus taught people to pray to Him as God**

- Prayer- Is simply the way that God has given us to communicate with Him.
- John 14:12-14, John 15:16 and John 16:23-24
- Acts 7:59-60 The stoning of Stephen. Stephen cried out to Jesus during His dying moments

**V. Jesus said He was the only way to Heaven**

- John 14:1-6 is one of the most well known and is an often quoted passage of scripture.
  - In this passage we learn that Jesus clearly stated that He was the only way to come to the Father.
- Many other religions today teach that there are many ways to heaven.
  - Jesus clearly de-bunked those types of thoughts when He said He was the way to heaven.
  - Matthew 7:13-14

