

“Who Say Ye That I AM”

Matthew 16:15-16

Either He Was Deity Or He Was Not.

1. Some say “he is the earth’s greatest man, its greatest teacher, greatest philosopher; He has revealed God to us as no one else has.”
2. Greatest Question: *“Who say ye that I am?”*
 - He is the Christ or He is not a good man! (Mt. 16:13-20; 22:42; cf. John 7:12)

Consider The Charges Brought Against Him

- A. He loved sinners and ate with them. **Luke 15:1; Mt. 9:10; 11:19**
- B. He healed on the Sabbath. **John 5:1-9, 18; 9:1-14**
- C. He claimed to be a King. **John 18:33-40**
- D. He is guilty of blasphemy in claiming to be equal with God. **John 10:30-35**

Consider His Claims

- A. Claimed equality with God, eternal. **John 5:17-18, 22-29; 8:58; 10:27-33; Luke 5:23**
 - B. Claimed that to see Him is to see the Father. **John 14:7-10**
- Christ or Imposter?

Consider His Claims

- Claimed Himself worthy to be worshiped.
1. God only is to be worshiped. **Mt. 4:10; John 4:23**
 2. Yet, He accepted worship.
 - a. **Mt. 8:2** A leper.
 - b. **Mt. 9:18** Jairus, a ruler of the synagogue.
 - c. **John 9:35-38** Blind man made to see.
 3. After His resurrection he accepted worship.
 - a. **Mt. 28:9** The disciples.
 - b. **John 20:26-29** Thomas.
- Divine Being or Blasphemer?

Consider His Claims

- D. Claimed sinlessness. **John 8:46; cf. Luke 18:9-14**
- Christ or Hypocrite?

Consider His Claims

E. Claimed to be the “light” (John 8:12);
 “Way ” (John 14:6); Good shepherd”
 (John 10:10,11,16); “bread of life” (John
 6:35, 38, 51, 52)

1. Claimed He would give spiritual life. John 5:18-26

➤ Christ or Liar?

Consider His Claims

Allowed the Apostles to believe Him to be the Christ, claiming that upon this truth He would build the church.

Mt. 16:16-18

➤ Christ or Deceiver?

Consider His Claims

Claimed His blood could obtain remission of sins.
 Mt. 26:28

1. He died for this belief and cause and prophesied of his death. John 12:23, 32,33

2. Claimed he would be raised on the third day.
 Mt. 16:21; Mt. 17:23; Mt. 20:19; Mt. 27:64

3. He would raise the dead. John 5:28-29

➤ True or False ... Christ the Son of God or Fanatic?

Consider His Claims

Claimed He would judge the world. John 5:22-23, 30; cf. John 3:17-20; John 12:46-50

➤ Christ, the Son Of God
 or an arrogant Fool?

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