

A wooden cross stands prominently on a dark, craggy rock formation in the foreground. The background is a vast, hazy landscape under a sky filled with warm, orange and yellow hues of a setting sun. The overall atmosphere is one of reverence and contemplation.

Who is our Savior? What was/is his Ministry?

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Who He is not!

Who he is not!

- He is not a created being.
- He was not just a Prophet, Teacher, or Good Person.
- He is not a man who ascended to be God.
- He is not just an Historical figure.

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Who is Jesus?

He is the Word

John 1:1-1(NKJV) In the beginning was the Word(λόγος).

- John doesn't go 2000 years ago to explain Jesus, he goes to Gen1:1
- Greeks viewed the logos as the divine wisdom behind the universe
- Jews viewed the “word of the Lord” as God’s special revelation of himself.
- Logos was with God(separate entity)
- Logos was God(of the same divine essence)
- He is the Second Person of the triune Godhead.

John 1:3 – He was the creative agent in the beginning, explaining the mind of God to creation.

Hypostatic union – Jesus is not half man, half God, he is 100 % man and 100 % God.

John 1:14 – He is the eternal word of God incarnated.



Jesus and the Gospel of the Kingdom

Matthew 4:17 (NKJV)

“Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand.”

- Jesus main message was not about going to heaven but getting heaven to earth.
- Matthew 4:23 – Healings, Deliverance, Miracles, Mighty Works and Resurrection pointed to the entrance of a supernatural kingdom.
- 2 Cor 1:20 – The Kingdom of God is not in word but in power.



The Death of the Cross

- The cross was the doorway for mankind to experience God and his Kingdom.
- Jesus's purpose was dual-fold to reintroduce God and reinstate us to God.

Matthew 20:28 (NKJV) just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many

Romans 5:8(NKJV) But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- God's love was perfectly demonstrated int the Cross.
- He didn't wait for us to do something we could never do he took the initiative.

2 Corinthians 5:21(NKJV) - For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

- God looked away from Jesus on the cross and looked towards us.

Why the Blood of Jesus?

Leviticus 17:11(NKJV) *For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.'*

- *The way God designed creation was that the blood of something carried the life of that being.*
- *Atonement – The act of appeasement for a wrongdoing, To satiate the wrath of God.*
- *Sin gave way to death and the only way to atone for that sin is the offering of your life which was contained in the blood.*

Blood of Jesus Continued.

Matthew 26:28(NKJV) *For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins*

- *Jesus was not born of Adam, he never committed sin, he was also fully God and fully man.*
- *His blood was the only one qualified to satisfy the righteous requirement of God.*

Hebrews 9:22 (NKJV) *And according to the law almost all things are [a]purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no [b]remission.*

- *Sin is not forgiven through time, good works, or moral lives simply the offering of blood.*

Hebrews 9:13-14(NKJV) *For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*

- *The Blood of the animals in the Old Covenant served as a reminder for sin, Christ blood cleanses our very conscience from the guilt of sin.*

The Resurrection

- The cross dealt with the issue of sin, the resurrection the issue of death.

Romans 5:12(NKJV) - Death get its power though sin, Everyone in Adam dies

- Though, Jesus died, Death had no power because he was not in Adam, and he never sinned.

John 10:17(NKJV) – Jesus Christ had to willingly lay his life down because death couldn't take it.

Revelation 1:18 – Jesus Christ has power over death, and controls who is under the power of death.(Matthew 27:51-52)

The effects of the cross.

- ***These facts became immediately true after you put your faith in Jesus:***
- ***Justification*** – We are legally declared righteous before God not by our works but putting our faith in the finished work of the cross.
- ***Righteousness*** – We are in right standing, right positioning and right relationship with God through Jesus not behavior.
- ***Redemption*** – We have been bought back from the power of sin. We are no longer slaves to sin.
- ***Sanctification*** – Our Spirit man has been completely reborn and made in the perfect image of Christ.
- ***Born Again*** – We are completely new creatures, our spirits have been born again from above, our citizenship is in heaven. The Old Man sold under sin is dead.

Jesus Christ current ministry

- The High priest represented God to man and man to God.

Hebrews 7:24-28 – Christ is our High Priest; he lives to intercede on our behalf.

- He offered one sacrifice his life.

Hebrews 4:14 -16 – He intercedes and represents us to God in our weakness

Hebrews 10:10 – He stands in the presence of God and present his own blood on our behalf.



The Old Adam vs New Adam

