

## Does the Bible Ever Say That Jesus Is God?

**Yes.** The first disciples proclaimed that Jesus was the Messiah, the only Savior and the one true God. Most of them died because they continued to proclaim this message. And over the course of the last 2,000 years, many others have lost their lives as a result of proclaiming this same message. If they had not been completely convinced of Jesus' identity, they would have stopped testifying about Christ because they knew that such witnessing put their lives in severe jeopardy.

- **In Isaiah 9:6** the prophet Isaiah refers to the coming Messiah—Jesus Christ—as “Mighty God”: *“To us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God.”*
- **In Matthew 1:23** the apostle Matthew discloses that Jesus is “God with us.” He actually restates the prophecy of Isaiah 7:14 and reveals its fulfillment: *“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”—which means, ‘God with us.’”*
- **In John 1:1** the apostle John calls Jesus “the Word” and specifically states that “the Word was God”: *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.”* (Read John 1:1–3, 14.)
- **The apostle Thomas**—or “Doubting Thomas”—calls Jesus, “my God!” In John 20:28 *“Thomas said to him, ‘My Lord and my God!’”*
- **Jesus Himself** even says that He and God the Father are “one.” In John 10:30 Jesus explains, *“I and the Father are one.”* At this, the Jews sought to stone Jesus for blasphemy, stating as their reason, *“because you, a mere man, claim to be God”* (John 10:33).
- **In Romans 9:5** the apostle Paul calls Jesus “God over all.” He states that from the Jewish people *“is traced the human ancestry of Christ, who is God over all.”*
- **In Philippians 2:5–6** Jesus is described as “being in very nature God”: *“Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped.”*
- **In Colossians 2:9–10** Jesus is described as fully God: *“In Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form . . . who is the head over every power and authority.”*
- **In Titus 2:13** Jesus is called “God and Savior”: *“We wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ.”*
- **In Hebrews 1:8** Jesus is called “God”: *“About the Son he [the heavenly Father] says, ‘Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever.’”*
- **In 2 Peter 1:1** the apostle Peter calls Jesus “God and Savior”: *“To those who through the righteousness of our God and Savior Jesus Christ have received a faith as precious as ours.”*
- **In 1 John 5:20** Jesus is called “the true God”: *“We know also that the Son of God has come . . . . He is the true God.”*

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