

Jesus is not God according to the Bible

Some Christians believe that Jesus is God, "the second person in the Holy Trinity." They derive this belief from the Bible. However, a close study of the Bible does not support this dogma. In fact, it refutes the "godhood" of Jesus.

The following verses from the Bible will help define the status of Jesus.

1. God is all Knowing...but Jesus was not.

"When speaking of the Day of Judgement, Jesus clearly gave evidence of a limitation on his knowledge when he said, "but of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in Heaven, neither the son, but the Father." (Mark 13:32 and Matt 24:36)

"But God knows all. His knowledge is without any limitations. That Jesus, of his own admission, did not know when the Day of Judgement would be, is clear proof that Jesus is not all-knowing, and that Jesus is therefore not God."

2. God is All-Powerful...but Jesus was not.

"While Jesus performed many miracles, he himself admitted that the power he had was not his own, but derived from God. He said, "Verily I say unto you, the Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do..." (John 5:19)

Again, he said, *"I can of mine own self do nothing: As I hear I judge, and my judgment is just because I seek not mine own will but the Will of the Father which has sent me." (John 5:30)*

However, God is not only all-powerful; He is the source of all power and authority. Jesus admitted that he could do nothing on his own. This is clear proof that Jesus was not all-powerful, and that therefore Jesus is not God.

3. God does not have a god above Him ... but Jesus did have a God.

"God is the ultimate judge and refuge for all, and He does not call upon nor pray to any one. Jesus acknowledged that there was a higher authority, to whom he worshipped and prayed. He said this,

"I ascend unto my Father and your Father, and to my God and your God." (John 20:17)

He is also reported to have cried out while on the cross,

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Matt 27:46)

If Jesus were God, then he would not pray to himself. If his mission were to save humanity by this sacrifice, then he would actually be happy to fulfil his mission.

When in the garden of Gethsemane he prayed,

"O' my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me, nevertheless, not as I will but as thou wilt."

(Matt 26:36-39)

Jesus, of his own admission, acknowledged, worshipped and prayed to another being as God. This is clear proof that Jesus himself is not God.

3. According to the Bible, God is invisible to humans...but Jesus was flesh and blood.

People saw Jesus and heard his voice. Jesus said,

"No man hath seen God at any time." (John 1:18) "Ye have neither heard His voice at any time nor seen His shape."

(John 5:37)

He also said,

"God is a spirit and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth."

(John 4:24)

That Jesus would say that no one had seen or heard God at any time, while his followers both saw and heard him. This is clear proof that Jesus was not God.

4. No one is greater than God is and no one can direct Him...but Jesus acknowledged someone greater than himself whose Will was distinct from his own.

Perhaps the clearest indication we have that Jesus and God are not one and the same, comes again from the mouth of Jesus himself who said,

"My Father is greater than I."

(John 14:28)

When someone referred to him as a "good master", Jesus responded,

"Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one that is God..."

(Luke 18:19)

Further more, Jesus drew clear distinctions between himself and God when he said,

"I proceeded forth and came from God, neither came I of myself, but He sent me."

(John 8:42)

Jesus gave clear evidence of his subordination to God, rather than his equality with God, when he said,

"not my Will, but thine be done,"
(Luke 22:42)

Jesus said,

"I seek not mine own will but the will of the Father which has sent me."
(John 5:30)

Jesus admitted that he did not come into the world on his own initiative but was directed to do so, and he acknowledged another being greater than himself. He also negated his own Will in deference to the will of another power. This gives clear proof that Jesus is not God.

Conclusion.

The Christians regard the Bible as the primary source of knowledge about God and about Jesus. In the above quoted verses from the Bible, it is clear that Jesus is not the Supreme Being and the Supreme Being is not Jesus.

The godhood of Jesus is inconsistent with the words of Jesus as contained in the Bible. Therefore, the concept of trinity is untenable.

God is One and Unique. He has no partner, no son and no consort. He is Eternal. He does not share His power with any one else. Truly indeed, there is no god but God.

(For further reading about the concept of God, please log on to www.islamquery.com)

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