

Why Only Jesus



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“A Rational Approach to the Faith”

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Preface

"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life" 1 John 1:1

Many people believe that there is a God or there is some force that is guiding and controlling this entire creation. But one must be realized that it is not some force that had created and directs the creation, but it's a person. Since He is a person, then He must have a personality. The personality of God is called as divinity. Though there are many so-called gods and goddesses are existing in this world from ancient times, If we search around for that one single deity in whom the complete divinity like omnipotence, perfection, sanctity, omniscience, in absolute measure and the one who has the integrity without lust, anger, proud, haughty, envy, hatred, then will find Jesus Christ as the only such God and the complete expression of divinity.

Though, all gods, who are said to be divine incarnations and deities possess some of these absolute divine attributes, but if we observe, that most of them are lacking all the absolute divine attributes, except one God that is Jesus. However, if we examine honestly then we can know that Jesus Christ was the only one who demonstrated the virtue and the complete divinity in absolute measure. Apostle John has received the revelation about that divine son and declared that the same God who existed from the beginning is the Lord Jesus Christ and He incarnated as a human being.

In today's modern age, there are many opportunities to learn about everything and anything and to increase knowledge in any subject. The nature of today's generation is to search, reason, test before accept anything. This is the strength and prime character of the present generation. Why Jesus Christ is the only true savior in today's situation? Where people are kept in the state of darkness by supporting the falsehood? Why is He the only one who can save humanity? This book is an attempt to explain, reason out and prove the truth from different dimensions.

Through this book I have tried to explain God's eternal plan, His love and God's grand plan for mankind. God's supreme love and supreme qualities of Jesus Christ, and the help of the Holy Spirit strengthened me to start and complete this book. Along with God's help, I would like to thank my wife Mrs. Rahelu (Rachel), who has been my constant supporter in all aspects.

Also, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, I am grateful to all my loved ones who have prayed for this book to become a reality.

“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.”---Colossians 1:15.

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Foreword

God is the creator of the world and everything. Man's place in this creation is unique. God created human beings in His own likeness, in His own image, made them as His sons and daughters and made them live on this earth, this is their world. But when humanity, the creation of God is caughtup in the great disaster and is close to eternal destruction, man's belief that God will come to this world as an incarnated man to save the mankind from that disaster due to the eternal love that God has for his own children, human beings, is true.

All mankind has sunk into the mire of eternal destruction, and the reason for that is sin. Sin is the root of every problem and every suffering that man is facing on earth. It is a mystery to this present world which is unable to comprehend it. According to the law of God, eternal death is certain for the one who has sinned. There is no difference, everyone has sinned and became a vessel for God's wrath and eternal punishment, i.e. hell. But, However God is love too. God has descended as His own son Jesus Christ from heaven to this world to save humans from eternal destruction, i.e. to save them from hell after death. It is a well-known truth that sins will not be forgiven without the shedding of blood. Jesus Christ, the God, came to this world in the form of a human body and became a propitiatory sacrifice for the atonement of sins. His whole body was wounded, hung on the cross, shed His blood completely, died and rose again on the third day. Most of the people in the world have the question why Jesus is the only one when there are so-called gods, goddesses and so called incarnated men in this world? This book is a detailed and concise answer to this question. Read it with interest and get eternal benefits.

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Introduction

Human history is full of problems, confusions, wars, mixed with moments of happiness and loads of sadness. As a great poet wrote "The whole history of the human race is a bloodbath". Indeed, the history of the human race that we are reading is written by the letters of blood. Wars, victories and defeats, how one kingdom conquered and occupied another kingdom. And how that Kingdom affected the lives of the people, mostly this is the human history that we have been reading for years.

Some histories of kingdoms became popular for their descriptions and imaginary poetry of the poets. For example, Greek myths such as Hercules and others heroes are popular because of the ingenuity of the poets who wrote them, the eloquence of the story telling and by the grace of the respective kings, even though those stories did never happened in reality. In almost every country of the world, such fictitious stories were popular and it was a general custom to describe kings as divine beings in those days. Therefore, they were worshiped as deities in some areas.

What is the source of human suffering? A king named "Siddhartha Gautama" who sought to find that source, did severe penance for 12 years and got the knowledge that the root cause of human suffering is greed. After gaining that enlightening knowledge, he was renowned as Gautama Buddha. Buddha formulated that the source of human suffering is greed and to conquer that greed, one has to follow these five principles (Pancha Sutra). But what exactly is the source for this greed of humans? I don't know whether the Buddha had thought about the reason for that greed or not, but he couldn't answer it.

Since the immemorial times, only few people have thought that what is the root cause of human's tragedy and misery? Only few people had thought about it and tried to search for that root reason. Eventually, they have become famous as gurus and gods in no time and people started to worship them. However, all of them could not say that this is the problem only, but they could not eradicate that problem. And they did not show any way to completely eradicate the

problem. What is the reason for human's sufferings and miseries? Why are humans a mixture of good and bad? What is the solution to man's problems?

An attempt to answer many such questions is made in this small book. This is not a religious book, but it is a must-know information by all human beings.

Asatoma Sadgamaya

Tamasoma Jyotirgamaya

Mrityorma Amritangamaya

The meaning of this Sanskrit slokam is this: Oh God! Lead me from untruth into truth. Lead from darkness into light, Lead from death to life.

It had been the cry, anguish, plea and prayer of the human's heart for centuries.

Is there anyone to answer this prayer??

The biggest problem of the humanity

In today's modern age humanity is facing many problems. Wars, changing of geographical conditions, atmospheric pollution, epidemics, epidemics like Corona, environmental changes and many more. Every day we read about these in the news papers. If it is observed, the daily news paper can be called a page in the history. And what is in those pages? Most of them are problems isn't it! Endangered species, rising sea levels, melting glaciers, dwindling humanity. Aren't these things that we read or hear in the news over and over again and are debated over and over on TV talk shows?

But are these really the root problems of humanity? If asked, perhaps may not be. Or at least none of them is the real root problem. Man is becoming more and more evil with the passage of time and becoming dangerous to the point of ruining the earth that he lives on. But why is man evil in the first place? Is man completely evil? The answer may surprise us, because he is not. Because some qualities like love, pity, kindness etc.. can be observed even in the most hardened savage. Isn't it surprising that Hitler, who was described as the most brutal man in the world, was a fine artist and said as a sensitive soul?

Also we see terrorists who have created terrible carnage do share their love or goodness with their loved ones!! Hitler, who was globally popular as the cruelest person in the world, loved his girlfriend very much! Napoleon Bonaparte's letters to his women love reveals his tender heart and love, surprisingly.

How did the conflict of these two opposite natures begin in man! Where did it start? Is man inherently evil? Almost all religions believe that God has created man. If so, did God create man to be evil? The answer to this is NO for anyone who is simple wise. But how did man become evil? As we have discussed, all the problems of man are due to this bad quality. Then the biggest and root problem of many problems discussed above is this hidden bad quality in man.

Many have tried and failed to explain how man has become evil. But the Bible explains this thoroughly.

Birth of Death:

According to the Bible, man was created by God, in the image of God (Genesis 1:28). God created man as a composite of three parts. 1. Body, 2. Soul and 3. Spirit

1. **Body:** The Bible says that man was made like an image with dust. This external portion of human body that is seen physically.

2. **Soul (Mind):** Human's emotions, likes, dislikes and aspirations etc. are related to the human mind.

3. **Spirit:** When God breathed His living breath into man's nostrils, man became living being. Life came into him.

" And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being." Genesis 2:7

The spirit in man is the dwelling place of the Spirit of God. The Bible teaches that God is spirit (John 4:24). Please Do not think that spirit is some kind of gas or air, but spirit is not the natural physical form that we know and it is shapeless.

God created man in His image (Genesis 1:26). In today's modern era, to be precise, even since ancient times, many humans have been arguing that whether man was made in the image of God, as stated in the Bible or not?? They had been arguing about it. Some even believe and argue that humans have descended from apes as mentioned in Darwin's theory of evolution.

God created man in His own likeness, that does not merely the outward appearance, but He created the man with divine attributes, all good qualities. A simple proof that man is created in the image of God is the creative power within man. No other creature in the creation had exhibited the creativity that humans do. God is the Creator. He is having the creative power, He has blessed that creative power to human beings as well. For example: No bird or creature is creative to build a nest or do anything else differently from the rest of its species.

But man is different from all living beings. Isn't there a saying "The taste for a tongue and the mind of each skull is unique "!!

Some people say that human is a social animal. But I cannot agree with that, because, of all the living beings in this creation, the only one who has a spirit is only human. Animals do not have a spirit, they are only living beings with body and soul.

God placed man on this Earth, who was created in his own image, as a bearer and as His representative.. (Genesis 1:28). But humans have broken a small commandment that God has ordained to them. I believe almost all of us know the story of Adam and Eve. God forewarned man that if you break the commandment you will surely die. (Genesis 2:17).

Many may argue that how such a small mistake could bring such a big punishment? But dear friend! We can realize that the commandment is small but the God who gave it is big and therefore its consequences are also big.

For example, suppose a child steals some money from his father's pocket, when the child is caught for his mistake, the father may reprimand him or give him two slaps or give him a severe scolding and forgive him. But if the same child steals from the neighbors, the child will be handed over to the police. There he may be punished or fined. Also, if the child steals the secrets of the country or from a king, then the punishment will be severe! The crime he committed in all the three instances was theft. But it can be observed that the severity of the punishment varies according to the authority of those against whom it is committed. It can be observed that the seriousness of the offense committed against the greater authority is also very high. And, God is omnipotent here.. and since Adam and Eve sinned against the Almighty God, it can be understood that the punishment of sin is also very severe .

When Adam and Eve disobeyed God's command, they have died. But if we observe in the scripture then it can be found that they did not die immediately after eating the fruit. But was God untruthful? God can never lie. It is contrary to

His nature (2 Timothy 2:13). In that case, has the man died? yes... the spirit of man has lost its life, that is, it was died indeed.

When the life-giving Spirit of God departed from man, man's spirit became lifeless and dead. That is, death has entered the soul of man. When God created human beings, He created them in His likeness, i.e. with His good characteristics. Anti-God qualities entered into the human mind as soon as sin was committed. That is the reason man has both good and bad qualities at the same time. Even when God gave man a chance to repent, Adam and Eve blamed each other but did not ask for forgiveness. A person loves some people and the same person hates his fellow men, though it sounds natural, indeed it's strange.

Death is the opposite of life. Death i.e. lifelessness has also entered into the soul or mind of man. Anti divine attributes have entered into the man, who was created in the likeness of God, with divine attributes, also entered anti- divine attributes. That is why a man loves some and the same man hates others. In his heart he has both godly qualities and anti- godly qualities like love X hate, mercy X cruelty, compassion x hardness .

As we have discussed in the earlier pages, some great men indeed searched for the cause of human misery, did penances or meditations but could not find the root secret of it. But the Bible, which is the word of God, gives a perfect explanation for why man behaves in this way. Man is committing sin because of the anti divine attributes that have entered into him through the violation of God's commandment. How could a human able to commit sin at first place? Does it mean that human has sin in him from the beginning as some people argue? It is another proof here that God created man in his image. It is the self will that man was given and possessed by man. God did not create man as a robot but as a person with a will of his own. But man chose to disobey God rather choosing the life of God. That is why death, pain, suffering and agony have entered into the life of man and thus into this entire creation. Man is the reason for death and suffering in the world. Death also entered into the human body. That is why every person, whoever took the birth dies one day.

This sin and this sinful nature is passed down from the first generation. It infects every human being whoever is born, without even their involvement. Therefore, man is born with innate sin and this is called sin from the birth. It is this sin from birth that prompts people to commit sin and they can be termed committed sins.

Due to this sinful nature inherited from the birth, a human being is committing many sins in life. The Bible teaches that the wages of sin is death. Sin committed with the physical body results in physical death, sin committed with the mind results in mental death - sadness, hatred, depression, etc. Also, spiritual death i.e. hell is coming to man. The Bible defines this spiritual death or hell as the second death. Because this death will occur with the God's judgment after the physical death (the first death). One may question or wonder how death can happen since I have not committed any such great or terrible sins. There are two important things in this, one is that every man gets the wages of death due to sin from his birth sin and then due to committed sins. The second thing to realize is whether a sin, big or small, it is sin and is committed against God.

There is no man without sin because every sin, whether it is small or big, is committed against God (Romans 3:23). Also, there is no one among the living who does not have sin and this is the root cause of all problems. The solution to this root problem was also revealed by God on the very day man had sinned. That is the promise of a Savior. Only the Savior is able to deliver us from this root problem (Matthew 1:22). In addition to this root problem, sin brought many other problems. Here are some of the consequences of sin.

1. Lost of fellowship with God
2. Losing the position in creation
3. Defeated by Satan and being in captivity on many occasions
4. The curse of death passed down through generations

All these are have playing their part in the cause of the fall of man. In the beginning When Adam and Eve sinned against God, as part of their punishment they were banished from the Garden of Eden. Before that, God used to come to

the Garden of Eden every day to communicate with them (Genesis 3:8). Adam, Eve and God had a good fellowship together. After sinning, Adam lost this fellowship with God. From that day, the spirit of man that has lost the fellowship of God was thirsty. Because man is a spirit being, only spiritual things can fully satisfy him. Note, in this world those who have earned a lot of money, who are famous, and even those who have done many great deeds are living in some kind of unsatisfaction. They do not seem to be fully satisfied with the material achievements or material wealth they have acquired.

Many of them see themselves as a lonely one. Despite of wealth, fame and power whatever they might be having, they are feeling still alone. Because material things cannot completely satisfy this spiritual being. Only spiritual things can give him complete satisfaction. That is why in the struggle of his life, man tends to get attracted towards spiritual things. Ever since he lost his fellowship with God, many attempts have been made by man to return to God.

Two worlds

Man cannot restore that lost relationship with God on his own. To know about this in detail, we need to understand about these two worlds.

1. Physical world:

It is visible to us that which we can touch, see, hear and know through our physical senses. It is the world around us, the world we see and the world we live in

2. Spirit World:

It is invisible. Cannot be perceived by the physical senses. Although it is all around us, we do not perceive it. Leaving the spiritual world, man is living in the physical world.

Adam and Eve were originally spiritual people. Therefore, they live simultaneously in the spiritual world and also in the physical world because they have bodies. But after sin, Adam lost his entrance to this spirit world.

But man had a deep desire to return to this spirit world. Therefore, since then he is trying to reach the spiritual world through many efforts. Some people try their best to please God. I am not saying that every single person is trying this but some people are seriously trying for it. Those efforts may be called penance or the quest for redemption while others try to connect with this spirit world through various methods. Among them are those who take the help of certain evil spirits to connect with this spirit world through abominable procedures.

Who are these evil spirits and what is that spirit world?

We realize that God is spirit and man is also a spirit created with the element of God. God created billions of angels to serve Him in heaven. Even though those angels are spirit beings, Lucifer, who was in the presence of God among those angels, one day had the desire to become greater than God one day. That archangel incited many angels with him to rebel against God. Lucifer, the main rebel, wanted the glory of the God, power, and throne. he hoped to enthrone himself above the throne of God. But the consequences of this rebellion were also serious. He and all the angels who followed him were cast out of heaven because of their sin. We can understand from the scripture that God dwells in the third level of heaven (2 Corinthians 12:2). The rebelled angels were thrown into the second level of heaven, that is, another realm above the realm of the earth.

On earth God created human beings in His image and placed them on this earth as the cause of His glory and as His representatives. Those fallen angels, rebelled against God were hating God bitterly, were imbued with all anti-God qualities. they don't possess even a trace of goodness or love in them. satan, who hates God immensely, was enflamed with hatred, jealousy and resentment after seeing Adam and Eve, the children of God Adam & Eve were roaming freely on earth. He knew that no matter how hard he tried, he couldn't do anything to them. Because they were in the glory under God's protection. However, he also knew how to turn them away from God. That is through sin. Sin is the most abhorrent to God. satan knows that by causing men to sin, he can turn them away from God. However, he knew that he cannot force people to sin, but satan's plan is to induce them to sin, and to make them sin and thus distance themselves from God. he

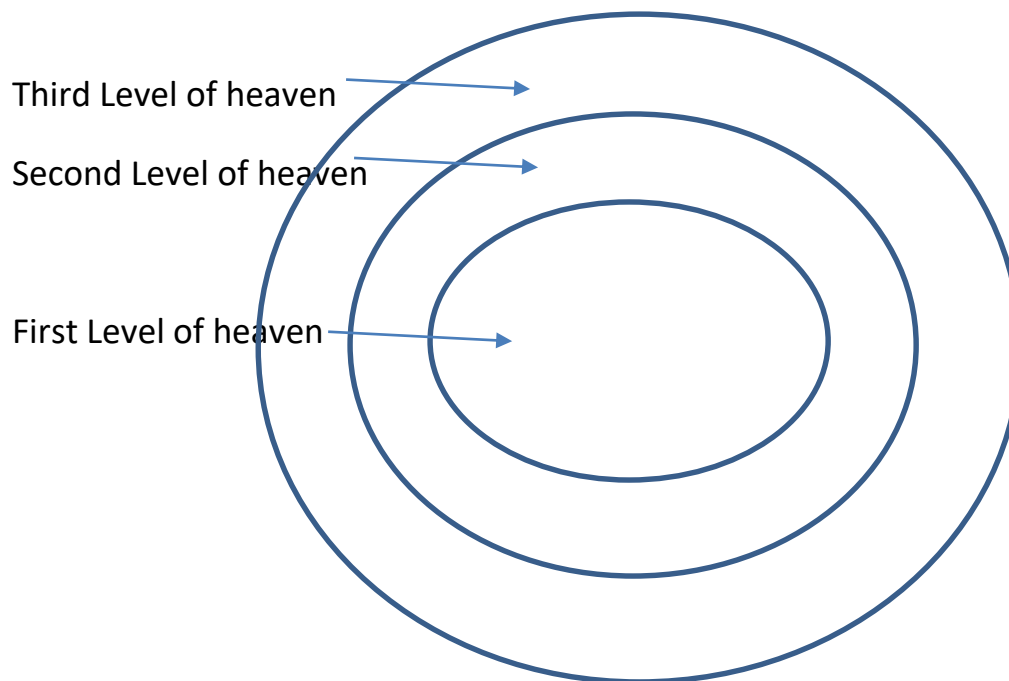
seems to have succeeded in this. However, God is omniscient that is He knows everything. Humans were deceived by satan but they did not rebel against God. So God Himself has pre-announced a way of salvation for them. How can it be the only means of salvation?? Let's reason out !!

Strengths in the spirit world:

We have seen that man is trying in many ways to connect with the spirit world some how. Considering the powers that exist in the spirit world, man has no power of his own in the spirit world. God is all powerful and almighty, satan and his followers have some power. Because they were the first and foremost complete spirit beings. And when they were created, they were created with powers and authority in the spirit world. This satan and his followers are constantly attacking and hurting humans. Man has power over his earthly world, but is powerless in the spirit world. Therefore man is powerless to defend himself from this satanic attack. Hence,, God is the only way for man to save himself from these attacks. God protects man from the attack of satan and other forces by His power and protection. Therefore, in order to live and exist in the spirit world, man must need God. Any atheist can argue that "I can live without God, and I do." But whoever it might be, how powerful in this world may be, they are powerless in the spiritual world. They are powerless and vulnerable to Satan's attack because they are also human and in the flesh. A human being is a spirit being whether anyone agrees or not. Man can live on this earth without anyone's help including the help of God. Because this earth and physical world was created for man. Therefore, man has power in this physical world and fulfills his will also here. Therefore, man can do whatever he wants here, but he is powerless in the spirit world. So even if atheists argue that we can live without God, there is some truth in it. Man can live without God in this world, but after death, if one wants live in peace and in eternal happiness in the spirit world, then man needs God.

This spirit world is very real and the necessity of God in the spirit world is certain. In today's world some people are trying to connect with this spirit world through

various means. They are tantric practices, spirit games, occult studies, various meditations etc. Through all of them one will be connected not to the divine world or to God in the third level of heaven, but to the world of cast-off evil spirits that is in the second level of heaven. Although with the help of those evil spirits some strange works, miracles or even prophecies can be done on this earth, none of these are originated from God. Such activities will never be able to take one near to God.



Unless God opens the door, no human can reach to that heaven. No one can be forgiven for their sins unless God, the Lord above all, forgives. Here is an interesting thing to note, many people in the world think that merit (Punya) can be earned by doing good deeds. It is a deep belief in almost all religions that the virtuous will go to heaven and the sinners will go to hell. However, there are some problems with this belief system.

1. How much merit one should do to reach to heaven ? and how much merit one has done so far?? And how much more merit does he have to do? How much time

is left for it? There is no standard way to measure or know about it. Who is it that weighs our sins and merits and judges whether this person has done more sin or more virtue? If he is God, then it would be a great injustice not to tell in advance that how much virtue a person should accumulate or do in order to be qualified for heaven!.

2. People should always do good deeds, pious deeds and righteous deeds. If that is the reason, for not stating the amount of merit to be done is not stated in advance, if it is an then this argument is also not justified. Because, from the time a man is born, he is not doing only all the righteous deeds are only virtuous deeds. Then how should a man get absolution from the sins and unholy deeds that he commits or absolve them from doing them at all? It also needs to be said upfront.

3. Another thing, how many deeds can compensate for how many sins?? Can charity of food compensate for a murder?? Or how many deeds need to be done to get compensation from the sin of murder??? Such information is absent in this belief and in those divine books.

4. Of all these, the most important is how the sinner can atone for his sin by his own good works? How is this possible if his sin is irreparable? In a way What this means is, the person who has committed the crime decides for himself how much compensation he should pay for his punishment, and thus judges himself accordingly. What is the place of God and His authority throughout in this process? In fact, in another sense, it is like a dead corpse is trying to keep itself alive by doing many good deeds. we know that is impossible, what is needed to make a dead man alive to life. That person died because of the absence of that life. then how can he make himself alive? It life is needed to bring the dead back to life, and that life must be victorious over death.

5. Does forgiveness of sins come from God? Or can a person buy it by his good works?

6. What is the future of men who doesn't have the ability or cannot afford to do meritorious deeds or expiation?

This raises many unanswered questions. However all of them can be answered by one person.

The solution of God

God has mercifully shown the solution for the wrath and death that man has brought upon himself by sinning. That is, God's plan of salvation is saviour to be born as human- to save mankind.

Why God don't protect satan like man? Or can satan have a change of heart? By raising these questions some people reason out and argue. Here we must note an important point. Although both Adam and satan sinned against God, there was a difference in their sin and the motive behind the sin purpose. satan rebelled against God's authority by being in God's very presence and aspiring for the God's place. Moreover, satan incited one third of the angels with him, to rebel with him against God .

But Adam and Eve did not deliberately rebelled against God, but they were deceived by satan's trap. And satan, out of hatred for God, caused men to sin as well or inspired them to sin. Whether the sin is small or big , the sin is a sin. Humans are able to receive God's forgiveness because they have sinned in their ignorance. Since satan purposely created this rebellion in the spirit world, he has no excuse but punishment to him and to his followers. After God announced His solution as a promise, he has been announcing the salvation He is going to bring about that savior to His people in those times through His prophets.

Since that time, He is been announcing His redemption plan to His people through prophet of that period and times.

Many Problems of man and their solution is in Christ.

We have learned that a human being is a combination of body, soul and spirit. We realize that when a human committed sin, the living spirit that is dwelling in the human spirit had left him and now his spirit become a dead spirit. Only those who

have this living spirit can be with God in heaven. A man's attainment of heaven by meritorious deeds is like a dead man bringing himself back to life. But no matter through how much ever righteous and pious works we are unable to revive a dead person at least physically too. If so, how many righteous works can a dead person should do to bring himself back to life?? How can he bring his dead spirit back to life?? How can he make his spirit live, when he cannot even overcome physical death?

Now, what man needs is a Life to revive his mortal body, soul and spirit. Only that Life can revive this dead human spirit. And most importantly that Life should not be subject to death.

1. The savior of mankind must be a Living being who can redeem mankind from death.

The Lord Jesus Christ declared himself to be the life when He was on this earth. John 14:6.

The Lord Jesus Himself said that He who believes in Him will never die, and the one who believes even in Him will live again even if he is dead. the dead will live again.

" Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.

And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25,26

The Scripture explains that there was Life in him and that Life was a light to men and enlightened them.

" In him was Life; that Life was light unto men." John 1:4

" That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. " John 1:9

"For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself,"
John 5:26

Lord Jesus also warned them saying, **"But come ye not unto me, that ye may have life."** John 5:40

Lord Jesus said that he came to give not only life but abundant life.

He is the Life giver and the one who can give abundant life.

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." ..John 10:10

The Lord Jesus declared himself to be the Life and giver of abundant life, but if one asks whether it is true? Then His resurrection from the dead is the answer and proof of this claim.

"And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses." Acts 3:15

"I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death." (Revelation 1:18)

We have discussed earlier that the Life that can redeem men must be immortal. That is why death could not hold the living Lord Jesus. And He entered into death to conquer that death.

"Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.." Acts 2:24

"O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?" 1 Corinthians 15:55

2. The savior must be the one who can conquer all the powers of satan and his followers.

This Savior, who can save man, must be the one who can conquer the enemy, satan, who has driven man to sin and be separated him from God.

For a long time satan and his followers have been attacking humans and holding many as captives in his possession. That Savior must be the one who can free man from satan and his bondages.

The Savior must be the one who can defeat satan and free man from his captivity.

When the Lord Jesus was on this earth, He set people free by casting out the unclean spirits from them, who were possessed by unclean spirits.

" When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sickness" Matthew 8:16,17

Even the unclean spirits testified that He is the Son of Almighty God.

"When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and fell down before him, and with a loud voice said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God most high? I beseech thee, torment me not." Luke 8:28

Not only did He cast out the unclean spirits, but He also gave that power and authority to His disciples.

" Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases." Luke 9:1

Lord Jesus also had authority over all the power of Satan and gave it to His disciples.

"Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you." Luke 10:19

It was the will of the Lord Jesus that those who follow Him should also have power and authority over Satan.

" And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues" Mark 16:17

Not only that, the Lord Jesus completely conquered sin and satan by defeating them on the cross.

"Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin." Romans 6:6

"And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it." Colossians 2:15

3.The curse of the humanity's curse has spread to all the creation - the Savior must be the one who can free this creation from the curse too.

When the first humans Adam and Eve have sinned, they brought death on themselves as a result of that sin. Because God forewarned them that they would surely die if they eat the forbidden fruit. However, they did not die physically on the day they ate that fruit, but death entered into man. But, only the human beings who have sinned should die!! And why does every creature living on earth, whether it is a micro-organism or a large animal, is dying? And how did this happen?

After man sinned, God rebuked Adam and Eve and punished them for their sin. However, God cursed satan and the earth. Man is the ruler of the earth and is the representative of God on this earth. If a king is defeated, then the defeat of that king falls on all the citizens and animals of his kingdom, so in the similar way the death that man has acquired is passed on to all creation. Thus all the living creatures, be they are trees, plants, insects, reptiles, birds and animals die.

The savior of mankind must be the one who would save even the entire creation that was given to man from this curse. We can observe that even in the animals this death i.e. cruelty, the nature of killing one another has entered.

The curse that was inherited to man is sin and death. Lord Jesus freed humanity from the curse by killing the nature of sin on the cross.

"Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree." Galatians 3:13

Through Jesus Christ, this curse is nullified and everyone whoever accepts Him are being transformed into a new creation.

"Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17

4. Human authority and power

We have noted that man was created by God to be His representative and the ruler. Adam was like the king of this earth. By deception satan took that authority and power from Adam.

"And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it." Luke 4:6

All creatures in this creation were subjected to Adam's authority, and Adam gave names to all the creatures as a symbol of his authority over them. God told Adam to subdue this creation, the earth. All creation on earth was subject to Adam's authority. Now, who can restore the Adam's lost authority?

Only God, who gave Adam that authority, can restore to him his lost authority to him.

The Savior must be the one who has authority over creation and the Savior must be the one who can restore Adam's lost authority.

When the Lord Jesus was on this earth, He calmed the storm and calmed the sea (Matthew 8:23-27). He walked on a stormy sea (Matthew 14:24-33).

By raising Lazarus who had been dead for 4 days, He showed His authority over death (John 11: 39-45).

A centurion, was able to grasp the authority of the Lord Jesus.

" For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it " Matthew 8:9

Man was created by God as a ruler and representative of God. But, man was deceived by Satan and lost it. However, when God is restoring that authority, He granted man the authority not only on earth but also in the spiritual realm. This spiritual realm is nothing but the second level of heaven inhabited by Satan who deceived him. That is, if Satan deceives man and steals his kingdom, God has given man the authority over the earth and over Satan's kingdom as well.

"And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it" Matthew 16:18

The Lord Jesus restored to his disciples the authority that Adam had lost by saying that those who follow him will do greater works than He, and that they will do many extraordinary works very easily.

"And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Mark 16:17,18

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that believeth on Me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father." John 14:12

After Lord Jesus, His disciples were also able to do many great works because of Him.

"Insomuch that they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them." Acts 5:15

"So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. " Acts 19:12

5. Adam's lost Relationship

God who created man was communicating with man and had a good relationship with him. After Adam and Eve were cast out of the Garden of Eden because of sin, that relationship was severed. Our sins created a barrier between man and God.

Adam, the first human, was described in the Bible as the son of God (Isa 59:2). But all humans born after sin, whoever they are, nowhere described in the Bible as sons of God.

" *Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God.* " Luke 3:38

Humans were trying through many efforts to restore this broken bond, but we could not see that it was restored partially only for the few who have tried sincerely. Only by the mercy of God this relationship had not been restored to all human beings because man is still a sinner and cannot stand in the holy presence of God. God is the mighty Father and the God who created man is truly his Supreme Father.

Not only the fellowship with God needs to be restored, but also man's father-son relationship with God must also be restored.

The Savior must be able to restore the relationship of man and God

Because of sin, Adam and Eve lost their relationship with God. The restoration of the relationship between God and man is a paramount thing in the human restoration.

Since the times of Adam, human beings have been trying to reach God in various ways. But human's sin had always stood between man and God. Man's sins have damaged man's relationship with God.

" *But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.* " Isaiah 59:2

Lord Jesus removed the rock of those sins by sacrificing His life as an atonement for the sins. Now every human being can have relation with God freely without any hassels. That is why Lord Jesus said this

" *Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.* " John 14:6

When Jesus was on this earth and His disciples asked Him to teach them to pray, He restored the relationship between humans and God by addressing God as Father in heaven.

" After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name." Matthew 6:9

Paul reiterated this while writing to Timothy

"For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." ...
1 Timothy 2:5

Humans are reconciled to God through the Lord Jesus.

"For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life." Romans 5:10

By accepting the Lord Jesus as Savior and believing in His work of salvation, every human being is born again in and by the Spirit. John 3:5

The Bible says that all who accept Jesus as Lord have been given the authority to be the children of God. John 1:12

Not just that, but God Himself adopted us as His children through the Lord Jesus. It is true that we are made God's own children from enemies of God.

"Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved." Ephesians 1:5,6

Only one who is from heaven, who knows God, and who is not hindered by those sins, can mediate the restoration of this relationship. That is possible only with Lord Jesus.

6. Why human incarnation?

Why God has to come only in the human form to save man? Why it should not be that some animal or creature form of incarnation and saved humanity as it was described in Greek, Babylonian and many other myths? Let us discuss the answer here.

First of all, the right and complete value of human life is human life alone. No matter how important an animal is, no matter how valuable it is, it is not equal to human's life. A few years ago I saw an incident in the news. A little boy who went to the zoo accidentally fell from the top into the gorilla's enclosure. There were two big gorillas. However, after few minutes one of the gorillas was slowly preparing to attack the boy. From the top of the enclosure, people were shouting loudly and by various methods, trying to drive the gorilla away from the boy. But the gorilla didn't move much despite of shoutings, noise and other efforts that were made. The gorilla kept trying to grab the boy and take him into their cave. Suddenly one of the two gorillas attacked the boy, at that same time the zoo staff shot the gorilla to death. Immediately, the zoo staff got down into the enclosure and rescued that boy. We should note that in this case the gorillas may have been bought by the zoo management for a lot of money and they could be making a lot of money from them too. However, when the matter came close to life, they killed the gorilla without thinking much ahead to save the little baby. This is the value of human life. No matter how valuable any animal is, no matter how precious that living being is, they are not equal to the human's life. The only thing that is equally precious for human's life is human life only.

Second, when Adam has sinned, sin and thus death entered into him, and we can save that man only by overcoming them. The human incarnation was the only resort to overcome sin and death in the human body.

Thirdly, the human is the only spiritual being in this creation. All other living beings have only body and soul/mind. But, since they do not have a spirit, no other creature can be equal to a human being who is having a spirit.

Finally, since man was created in the image of God, perhaps visual incarnation of God is probably look like human!!!.So, the Savior also had to come in human incarnation to save and restore that human being.

The Savior must be in human incarnation. Any animal, bird or any other creature will not suffice to the stature of human.

It is only through that original form that we can rebuild or re-create man, Who was created in God's likeness. The one in that original form is none other than Jesus, Fully human and fully God.

The Bible says that Jesus is the Word of God. It can be observed in the Bible that the word came to this world as flesh. The Lord Jesus came and lived as a fully human being.

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." John 1:14

7. There is no forgiveness of sins without the blood

Blood is life and the Bible says that one 's life is in the blood. A living creature, be it a human being or an animal, has its life in its blood, so to shed blood completely means to shed that life completely.

In the scripture we can notice that Abel, the son of Adam and Eve, sacrificed a lamb to God as a thanksgiving. At that time Adam and Eve sinned. Later on in the law given by Moses we can notice that the sin offering was a sacrifice of atonement and thanks giving .

The blood of these sacrificial animals should be drained completely and then that blood should be completely poured out. Even today we can find that sacrifices are offered for the forgiveness of sins at many places but even those sacrifices cannot completely take away the sin of mankind. Because, may they are animals or birds, they are all creatures without spirit,so their blood can't be completely equvalate to human's life. The blood of a pure sinless holy man must be shed to save

mankind, that is, he must be sinless from the sin of birth and from (karma) the committed sins.

Once I read an interesting story in a news paper that a man confessed to the police about a crime that he committed many years ago and surrendered to the police. In that case he murdered a man, the police could not crack the case despite of all efforts. Later, the case was also closed due to lack of evidences. Many years have passed since the crime happened place. One day the man himself went to the police station and confessed his crime and surrendered to the police.

The police were also shocked by this incident. When the police asked him why did he surrendered after all these years ?, his answer was even more shocking, he said "I was able to deceive everyone so that no one would suspect me. However, I had no peace in my heart". He told that "I can't continue my life like this because I was kept on reminded of my sin and it's tormenting me, so I am surrendering". Please note this friends!! He was able to fool everyone but he could not fool his conscience and inspite of knowing that he would be punished, he came to the police station and surrendered himself. Even If he will be sentenced to death, he is prepared for that too. Please note, after he had committed a crime he did not hesitate to offer himself as an atonement for that crime. He was willing to pay life for life. People used to sacrifice life and blood to atone for the sins committed by them. From the ancient times humans have believed that atonement for sin is done by shedding of the blood. This belief and this system of atonement was originally given to humans by God. According to the law of Moses, people sacrifice goats, calves, rams and sheep as a compensation for their sins. Some of our brothers explain that these sacrifices are also written in Hindu mythology. Whatever it is, the blood must be shed for the forgiveness of our sins can be understood according to the law of Moses and even through our clear conscience, the blood must be shed. And the one who compensates for all the sins of mankind must be innocent of every crime assigned to mankind, that means, the one who does this atonment for all sins must be completely innocent and holy.

The Savior must be completely innocent of all guilt and sin.

8. The blood should be completely drained (Levi 7:2)

The blood of the sacrificial animal should be poured on the ground completely and in most cases the neck of the sacrificial animal is cut and its blood is poured on the ground. Because this blood is life. That is how it is done because a life is equaling a life. However, only human life is equal to human life, because no other animal or bird or creature is a spirit being except man, so the life of cattle or any other living being is not equal to the human's life. Now, why the Savior had to come in human incarnation is been discussed. But some important things about this blood can be observed here.

1. The Savior must be holy and blameless: The Pharisees, Jews and Sadducees constantly tried to show the Lord Jesus guilty by accusing Him of some sin. They did not find any basis or evidence to charge him, finally even after finally arresting him too.

"The chief priests and all the Sanhedrin sought false testimony against him to kill Jesus, but false witnesses came and found no testimony." Matthew 26:59,60

The Lord Jesus was not only sinless, but He was also blameless. From the very beginning, satan tried in every way to prevent Him from being a sacrifice for sins of human and to make Him sin like Adam. The greatest proof that Jesus never sinned and was sinless is His resurrection. So He was sinless and blameless.

We have already realized that Jesus was sinless by birth and never committed sin.

2. The Savior's blood must be completely poured down.

If there is any blood left in the sacrificed animal, it can be assumed that there is still life left in the animal. Because after Abel was killed, we can notice in the word that the blood was crying out to God from the ground. That is, the complete shedding of blood is the analogy and proof of the complete sacrifice of life. Therefore, God commanded the Israelites not to cook and eat any animal with blood (Levi 7:26,27). The blood of the sacrificial animal should also be completely drained, thus proving that the life of the animal has been completely removed.

Jesus as the Lamb of God offered for the atonement of the sins of all mankind, the blood of the Lord Jesus must also be completely shed on the ground. Only then His life is considered as fully sacrificed.

Because of the scourging and crucifixion, the blood of the Lord Jesus was shed from His body but some blood was still remained in His body. When He died on the cross, the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, to see if He is still alive or not, then blood and water flowed from the wound. Medical scientists have explained this phenomena. It is said that even after the entire blood has drained out of the body, some blood still remains in the chambers of heart. If the heart is pierced before it is clotted, even the last drops of blood will flow out. Exactly that's what happened when the Lord Jesus was pierced with a spear, it went into the heart and drained the last drops left in the chambers of the heart. Also, due to the shedding of the entire blood, the water in the body also shed along in that place.

"But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water." John 19:34

Fulfillment of prophecies of saviour in the Lord Jesus:

We have also discussed how a savior should be or what qualifications one should have and the responsibilities of a savior. Now who is that savior? Why only he can be the savior? Let us discuss about it in these chapters

From the time God promised man about the Savior in the Garden of Eden, God has been informing man time to time about the Savior. For thousands of years God has been sharing His thoughts and things about the Saviour, through His prophets, so that they serve as references.

For example:

Where the Savior will be born?

What happens when the Savior is born?

How the Saviour is born? Any speciality about His birth?

To whom will the Savior be born?

How the life of the Saviour will look like?

What is the personality and minset of the Savior?

What will be the works of the Savior?

How will the Savior save mankind?

How will the Savior redeem?

Few hundreds of prophecies have been announced by God through his prophets for about a period four thousand years in different eras because it was God's will and desire that mankind will recognize their savior and be saved based on these prophecies.

Although man became alienated from God after sinning, God did not abandon man to his fate. Before anyone asked, God promised something in the Garden of Eden about a Savior. In the later period, God gave signs about the savior time to time through the prophets he set up. God continues to give the assurance of the savior to mankind through his prophets.(Hebrew 1:1-3, 1 Peter 1:21). It is almost impossible to fulfill all of the prophecies in one person. A scientist who calculates it in mathematics, said that there was $10^{17} = 100000000000000000$ probability for only eight promises out of 60 prophecies to fulfill in one person. That means there is a possibility of happening this in that period was in one in million One lac crores of crores, in other words it is just impossible.

Please observe this formula the chances of one person not being selected out of ten is $10 \times 9 \times 8 \times 7 \times 6 \times 5 \times 4 \times 3 \times 2 \times 1 = 36,28,800$ chances of not being selected. It means that if only 8 prophecies are fulfilled in one of those born from the beginning to the time of Lord Jesus, it will happen to only one in a One lac crores of crores people. Have you noticed how difficult it is for nearly 400 prophecies to be fulfilled in one person? For example, let's say around 10 Crores people have taken birth on earth till the time of Jesus Christ, just for example, though this is not the exact number. How many chances are there for one promise to be fulfilled in one

person out of these 10 Crores? Is not it seems difficult and impossible to calculate mathematically. If so, how difficult and how impossible it would be even for ten promises or prophecies were to be fulfilled in one person out of those 10 Crores. You can imagine how much possible it is for about 400 prophecies to be fulfilled among those 10 Crores people. However, those born from Adam to Jesus Christ are not just only 10 Crores!! , today the world population is more than 800 crores. Today, when scientists use some mathematical theories to calculate what the world's population could be in the past years, as per one calculation that the world's population 100 years ago was around 160 crores. According to the Bible we can know that human history is about 6000 years old. It is more than 2000 years since the birth of Jesus Christ, which means that from Adam to Jesus Christ it was approximately 4000 years. Then every person born in those 4000 years had the same what Jesus Christ had, a chance to become a savior!!

How many thousand of crores of people might have been born from Adam in these four thousand years?? How impossible is it that one person is selected out of all thousand of crores??? If it is impossible for one prophecy to be fulfilled in one person, how much more it is impossible for nearly 400 prophecies to be fulfilled in one person??? If we consider it humanly, we understand that it is impossible for so many prophecies to be fulfilled in one person. Now in this chapter some important prophecies that are fulfilled in Jesus Christ are shared.

no	Prophecy/Promise	Bible reference	Time of Prophecy	Reference of the fulfillment
1	The savior from the seed of Woman (virgin birth)	Genesis 3:15	1445-1405 BC	Luke 1:35, Matthew 1:18-20
2	The Savior will born at Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	735-710 BC	Luke 2:4-6, Matthew 2:1
3	The savior will be born of a virgin	Isaiah 7:14	700-681 BC	Luke 1:26-31, Matthew 1:22-23
4	The Savior comes from Abraham's lineage	Gen. 12:3, 22:8	1445-1405 BC	Romans 9:5, Matthew 1:1

5	The Savior will come from the seed of Isaac	Gen. 17:19, 21:12	1445-1405 BC	Luke 3:34
6	The Savior will come from the seed of Jacob	Numbers 24:17	1445-1405 BC	Matthew 1:2
7	The Savior will come from the tribe of Judah	Genesis 49:10	1445-1405 BC	Luke 3:33, Hebrews 7:14
8	The Savior is the heir to the throne of David	2 Sam 7:12-13 Isaiah 9:7	700-681 BC	Luke 1:32-33, Romans 1:3
9	The Savior's throne is anointed and lasts forever.	Psalms 45:6-7 Daniel 2:44	1044 BC	Luke 1:3, Hebrews 1:8-12
10	The Savior will be called as Immanuel	Isaiah 7:14	700-681 BC	Matthew 1:23
11	The Savior lived in Egypt for some time	Hosea 11:1	760-720 BC	Matthew 2:14-15
12	At the time of the Savior's birth and in those places the massacre of the little children will take place	Jeremiah 31:15	650-570BC	Matthew 2:16-18
13	A messenger prepares the way for the Savior and comes before Him.	Isaiah 40:3-5	700-681 BC	Luke 3:3-6
14	The Savior will be rejected by His own people.	Isaiah 53:3. Psalms 69:8	700-681 BC 1015 BC	John 1:11,7:5
15	The Savior is called as a prophet.	Deuteronomy 18:15	1445-1405 BC	Matthew 16:14 Ap. Acts 3:20-22
16	The prophet Elijah will come before the Savior.	Malachi 4:5-6	516 B.C	Matthew 11:13-14
17	The Savior is called the Son of God.	Psalms 2:7	1044 BC	Matthew 3:16-17
18	The Savior will be called a Nazarene	Isaiah 11:1	700-681 BC	Matthew 2:23

19	The Savior will bring light to Galilee.	Isaiah 9:1-2	700-681 BC	Matthew 4:13-16
20	The Savior teaches in parables.	Isaiah 6:9-10 Psalms 78:2-4	700-681 BC 1015 BC	Matthew 13: 10-15, 34-35
21	The Savior mends broken hearts.	Isaiah 61:1-2	700-681 BC	Luke 4:18-19
22	The Savior will be a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek	Psalms 110:4	1044 BC	Hebrews 5:5-6
23	The savior will be called as a king.	Psalms 2:6 Zechariah 9:9	1044 BC 480-470 BC	Matthew 27:37 Mark 11:7-11
24	The Savior will be praised by little children	Psalms 8:2	1015 BC	Matthew 21:16
25	The savior will be betrayed	Psalms 41:9. Zechariah 11:12-13	1015 BC 480-470 BC	Luke 22:47-48, Matthew 26:14-16
26	The potter's farm will be bought with the money from the sale of the Saviour	Zechariah 11:12-13	480-470 BC	Matthew 27:9-10
27	A savior will be sold for 30 silver coins	Zechariah 11:12-13	480-470 BC	Matthew 27:9-10
28	False accusations will be made against the Savior	Psalms 35:11	1060 BC	Mark 14: 57-58
29	The savior remains silent before accusers	Isaiah 53:7	700-681 BC	Mark 15:4-5
30	They spit on the savior and beat him	Isaiah 50:6	700-681 BC	Matthew 26:67
31	The savior will be absolutely hated.	Psalms 35:19, 69:4	1060 BC 1015 BC	John 15:24-25
32	The savior will be crucified along with the criminals.	Isaiah 53:12	700-681 BC	Matthew 27:38. Mark 15: 27-28

33	The savior will be given vinegar to drink.	Psalms 69:21	1015 BC	Matthew 27:34. John 19:28-30
34	The legs and arms of the savior will be pierced.	Psalms 22:16 Zechariah 12:10	1044 BC 480-470 BC	John 20:25-27
35	The savior will be mocked and humiliated	Psalms 22:7-8	1044 BC	Luke 23:35
36	The soldiers will cast lots for the savior's garments	Psalms 22:18	1044 BC	Luke 23:34 Matthew 27:35-36.
37	The bones of the savior shall not be broken	Psalms 34:20 Exodus 12:46	1060 BC 1445-1405 BC	John 19:33-36
38	The savior will be forsaken by God	Psalms 22:1	1044 BC	Matthew 27:46
39	The savior will pray for enemies	Psalms 109:4	1060 BC	Luke 23:34
40	The savior will be pierced on the side	Zechariah 12:10	480-470 BC	John 19:34
41	The savior is placed in a rich man's grave	Isaiah 53:9	700-681 BC	Matthew 27:57-60
42	The Savior will be resurrected from the dead	Psalms 16:10, Psalms 49:15	1044 BC, 539 BC	Matthew 28:2-7 Acts 2:22-32
43	The savior will ascend to the next world	Psalms 24:7-10	1015 BC	Mark 16:19 Luke 24:51
44	The Savior sits at the right hand of God	Psalms 68:18. Psalms 110:1	1045 BC 1044 BC	Mark 16:19 Matthew 22:44
45	The savior will be offered as a sin offering	Isaiah 53:5-12	700-681 BC	Romans 5:6-8
46	Zeal in God's Temple/Father's House is consuming	Psalms 69:9	1015 BC	Matthew 21:12-13 John 2:17
47	The Savior heals the blind and the lame	Isaiah 29:18; 35:5; 42:7	700-681 BC	Matthew 11:4

48	The Savior is the Most Merciful	Isaiah 42:3	700-681 BC	Matthew 9:36-37
49	The New Testament through the Savior	Ezekiel 36:26,27	592-570 BC	Matthew 26:27-29 Hebrews 8:8-12
50	Our sins are forgiven	Malachi 3:3	516 BC	Hebrews 1:3

Attributes of God are fulfilled in Christ

Those who have observed this creation even with a little wisdom will say that the entire creation is guided by one power. But this creation and everything in it is governed not by a power but by a person. It is the truth because a person will have personality, he will have discernment and emotions whereas a power will have none of these. For example, if electricity is a kind of power when it touches it, it electrocutes all those whoever touch it regardless of our faults and can even take life.

Some of the divine attributes that can be primarily perceived to God.

- 1. God is the Creator.**
- 2. God is omnipotent**
- 3. God is omniscient**
- 4. God is omnipresent**
- 5. God is holy**
- 6. God is love**
- 7. God is sovereign**
- 8. God is the most righteous**
- 9. God is good than all**

- 10. God is the most merciful and empathetic**
- 11. God is infinite**
- 12. God is the self existing one**
- 13. God is immutable**
- 14. God is self-sufficient**
- 15. God has the infinite knowledge, who knows everything**
- 16. God is trustworthy**
- 17. God is the of glorious one**

Jesus Christ was not a man who ascended to be God, But He is God who descended to be man. Lord Jesus Christ manifested all the divine attributes while He was on this earth, except for the attribute that God is omnipresent in the above mentioned divine attributes. Even though He is omnipresent, when He took the human form for us, we can see that He renounced His divine nature of omnipresence. Because He lived, died and conquered the death on this earth as a perfect man.

God is the creator: God created this whole creation and all the crores of crores of living beings in it. Lord Jesus demonstrated his divinity by performing many miraculous works while on earth. Jesus revealed His power by recreating everything and restoring the vision of person who was blind from the birth. When a blind man came to Him, He made clay out of the spittle and annointed the person's eyes in a manner similar to and reminiscent of how He made Adam from the clay of the ground. (John 9:6)

The Word says that all things came from Him and without Him nothing was made. (John 1:1-3)

God is almighty: God is almighty which means nothing is beyond His power nothing can overpower Him. Lord Jesus resurrected the dead while He was in this world. Lazarus, who was died four days ago, was also raised from the grave (John 11:43-45). Not only that, He also ruled this nature and calmed the storm (Matthew 8:23-27). He also conquered satan while he was still in this world, who was committing sin by deceiving and subduing man. Thus He manifested us His omnipotence.

God is eternally wise: All knowledge is stored in Him. The Scribes and Pharisees were amazed at the knowledge that Jesus showed at the young age of 12 years (Luke 2:45-47). Those who tried to entangle Him in His words were astonished by the wisdom He has shown in answering the questions (Matthew 22:22). He knew what was in the hearts of men even before they asked, before they spoke (John 2:23,24). It is written in the scriptures that He did not entrusted Himself to them because He knew the hearts of men. Not only that, but the Lord Jesus has knowledge of all things of the past, present, and future times.

God is Omnipresent: God is omnipresent without distinction of here and there, He is present in all places, but Lord Jesus was not omnipresent when He had come in the human form. Because He could atone for the sins of all mankind only by living and dying a sinless life as a perfect man. Therefore, though He is God but He sacrificed this divine nature for the sake of mankind (Philippians 2:6). Jesus was omnipresent in His spiritual form

God is Holy: God must be sinless and have not committed sin. He is the most holy. Lord Jesus was sinless by birth and sinless by actions too. He asked the Jews who were looking to accuse Him, who can prove that there is sin in me (John 8:46). The Jews tried to make many accusations against Him, but could not find any sin in Him or with Him in anything (Matthew 26:59). He was sinless in His words, His actions, and ultimately in His thoughts.

God is the personification of love: God loves everyone with divine love regardless of caste, class or any other distinction. The Lord Jesus loved everyone untill the end, even those who thought Him as their enemy and wanted to kill Him (John

13:1). He demonstrated His divine love by restoring the cut off ear of the person, who came to arrest Him. (Matthew 26:52). He healed every one who came to Him. None was rejected.

God is sovereign: God is all sovereign. There is no authority greater than Him and no authority above Him. When the Lord Jesus met His disciples after His bodily death and resurrection, He told them that He has all authority in heaven and on earth (Matthew 28:18). He also revealed His sovereignty that He had authority to lay down and take away His life while He was in the human body (John 10:17). And He demonstrated His sovereignty by conquering even death, which held all mankind under its power.

God is just : He always does justice and righteousness. When Jew brought people to the Lord Jesus to judge them, He judged them according to justice (John 8:5). People were judged not only by deeds but also by justice. Lord Jesus said that he will judge according to justice and not according to what he has heard and seen .

God is good: He shows His goodness at all times. Jesus healed the ten lepers, despite of knowing that they would not even return to thank Him during His incarnation as man (Luke 17:12-19). He did not reject anyone who came to Him for help and fulfilled all their wishes and requests.

God is the most merciful of all: Even when all men rejected some as sinners, the Lord Jesus had mercy on them. He had mercy on them because they were weary and scattered like sheep without a shepherd. (Matthew 9:36). In the end, he was associating with sinners to the extent people have accused that He is fellowshiping with sinners, but Jesus showed compassion and mercy to them. In the Bible, many examples were mentioned regarding the mercy shown by the Lord Jesus.

God is infinite: He is without beginning and end. In the vision that God has given to Apostle John Jesus revealed Himself as the one who is the beginning and the end (Rev1:8). Jesus when He was in the flesh, He also revealed Himself to the Jews as an eternal one by saying that He exists even before Abraham.(John 8:58).

God is self-existent: God is self-existent, no one created Him. When He was in this world, The Lord Jesus explained on many occasions that He and God were united from eternity and that His birth was not the beginning of His existence (John 17:22). Because He is the Creator and the Self-existent God.

God is Immutable or can not change: God's supreme attributes do not change according to any circumstances. He possessed these qualities eternally. When the Lord Jesus was incarnated, He was insulted, humiliated, ridiculed, beaten, and even killed, but His divine attributes of love, forgiveness, and goodness did not change. He forgave all of them and even prayed for their forgiveness (Luke 23:34). In the vision given to Apostle John, it was revealed that Jesus is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow.

God is self-sufficient: God is self-sufficient without any need. He is not lack in something. He is not having deficiency at all. Even the Lord Jesus never showed any lack of need while He was in this world, may it be physical need, mental or spiritual need, He was always all-sufficient. That is why He said that I have come to give life to men and to give that life abundantly (John 10:10). He did not expect praise or admiration or anything else from anyone.

God is Omniscient, All-Knowing: God is All-Knowing, and nothing is hidden from Him. He also knows everything that is happening, has happened and will happen. In the vision given to John, Lord Jesus showed His infinite knowledge by saying that He is the alpha and the omega (Revelation 1:8). Even when Lord Jesus was on this earth, He knew the innermost things of men. (John 2:23-24).

God is faithful: He is faithful even when we are not (2 Timothy 2:13). The Lord Jesus was faithful to save even the disciples (Matthew 26:40-46) who had been asked to pray in His hour of need but fell asleep without praying (John 18:4). And as He said before, He conquered death and rose again and appeared to His disciples for 40 days and strengthened their faith. (Acts 1:3)

The Existence of Jesus Christ

Now a days many people argue that Jesus Christ started to exist from the last 2000 years only and there are many gods were existing from ancient times. Is the existence of Jesus Christ began since His birth only ? If so, how can he pay the atonement for the entire mankind? how can he be the forgiveness for the people who are already dead and born before Him? there were ample of examples in the Bible that Jesus is existing even before His birth. Some people may agree that Jesus Christ is existing even before His birth. However, let's reason this out too ..

Jesus had confessed Himself that He is before Abraham while speaking to the Jews and He also said that Abraham wanted to see the day of Jesus, Jews were mad by hearing this. Here for the first time Jesus completely revealed His true identity.

"[56] Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad.

[58] Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I Am." --John 8:56,58

In the revelation that Jesus gave to His apostle John, He revealed His deity by stating that He is the beginning and the end.

" [18]I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. " ---Revelation 1:18

Paul wrote in his epistles that Jesus is existing from the beginning.

"[17]And he is before all things, and by him all things consist." --Colossians 1:17

All the apostles have received this revelation that Jesus is existing even before His birth and He is the God. Apostle John wrote in his gospel that Jesus is the word of God or voice of God.

"[1]In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

[2]The same was in the beginning with God."

[3]All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.-----John 1:1-3

However, we can find some glimpses of Jesus Christ even in the Old Testament also.

Jesus in the Old Testament.

How one can with confirmation and conviction say that the person appeared in these instance was Jesus but none else??

We need to understand few things to analyse

- 1.First and foremost, no Angel will dare to receive the worship and the receiving the honour of any human if he or she prostrates before the Angel and they always honour and praise God.
2. No Angel will receive the burnt offerings or any type of offering because offering was meant purely for God alone.
3. Angels or messengers generally would disclose their name and identity before the deliver any message and
4. Finally no Angel has the authority to forgive the sins of people and to make decisions about the judgement.

There are many angelic visitations we can observe in the Bible specifically more in the Old Testament, among these angelic visitations, some are special and not by any Angel itself some of those incidents can be analysed here.

1st Incident: Three Angels have visited Abraham and Abraham shown hospitality to them after that 2 Angels left to Sodom but there was one Angel speaking to Abraham. Abraham stood in the presence of the Lord the one who was speaking to Abraham is certainly not any ordinary Angel but God He Himself, because when Abraham was pleading not to destroy the Sodom City even if there were hand full of righteous people, the diety that appeared, promised Abraham that He will not destroy the cities even if there were 10 righteous people at least. Any Angel will

not have the authority to make or change the decision of God. Jesus is the Lord, who is to judge the mankind

"[36]Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ."----- Acts 2:36

The scripture clearly states that it was God, who spoke to Abraham about the judgement on Sodom.

"[33]And the LORD went his way, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place."---- Genesis 18:33

2nd Incident:

Jacob wrestled with some divine personality throughout the night at the shore of Jabok. Jacob sought the name of the person but that divine personality did not reveal His name but said that it can't be revealed.

"[29]And Jacob asked him, and said, Tell me, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, Wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there."---- Genesis 32:29

the appeared divine person gave a new name to Jacob as Israel. He also told the meaning of Israel that Jacob fought with the man and the God and prevailed. Either the parents or someone who is in the superior authority can name or rename the person. Angels can't and never did change or rename any person.

God changed the name of Abram to Abraham

God changed the name of Sarai to Sarah.

God changed the name of Jacob to Israel

Jesus changed the name of Simon to Peter.

The divine personality with whom Jacob was wrestling through out night was none another than Jesus.

3rd Incident

Joshua is leading the Israel into Canan and the night before their attack on Jericho. Joshua met a big divine personality with the drawn sword, immediately Joshua prostrated before the divine personality. Joshua was ordered to remove his footwear because it was a holy ground. The ground becomes a holy ground when God touches it and when God descends on that place.

"[13]And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, Art thou for us, or for our adversaries?"

[14]And he said, Nay; but as captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto his servant?

[15]And the captain of the LORD'S host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so." ----
Joshua 5:13-15

Remember the burning bush experience of Moses, even Moses was asked to take the footwear off, because that place was the holy ground. Here the one who appeared to Joshua is none another than Jesus. Revelation 19:16 reveals the King of kings and The Lord of lords is no one else but Jesus Christ.

4th Incident

When an angel appeared to Gideon and prophecied about him, in that incident Gideon requested the divine personality to wait until he brings an offering. When Gideon brought the offering, the divine personality had burned the offering. Burning an offering indicates that the offering was received by God. No Angel can dare to receive the offering in the place of God. Only God can do that. Even in this incident also the one who appeared and spoke to Gideon and received the offering was none other than Jesus Christ. At this place a new name of praise was given to the Lord as Jehovah Shalom

"[18]Depart not hence, I pray thee, until I come unto thee, and bring forth my present, and set it before thee. And he said, I will tarry until thou come again.

[19]And Gideon went in, and made ready a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of flour: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought it out unto him under the oak, and presented it.

[20]And the angel of God said unto him, Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay them upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so." -----

Judges 6:18-20.

5th Incident

The mother of Samson received a divine message about the birth of Samson through a divine angel. In this incident the divine personality did not reveal the name and said that it is not possible to reveal His name and that divine personality did receive the offering and ascended to heaven in the flame of the offering.

When Moses had a divine encounter at the burning bush Moses asked the name of the one who was speaking to him. The deity told Moses that His name is "I am that I am" Bible states that no one has ever seen God with their physical eyes but in all these divine encounters whom did this people say with whom did these people spoke that is none another than Jesus Christ that is why while revealing Himself to the Jews Jesus said that even before Abraham "I am" existing. John 8:58, the one who spoke to Moses in the burning bush the one whom Moses saw when he requested to see God is also Jesus Christ. Jesus is the expression of invisible God.

"[15]Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:"-
Colossians 1:15

God has expressed Himself as Jesus Christ. The complete love of God, mercy, righteousness and all the divine attributes were expressed through Jesus Christ. That's why Jesus said boldly that if anyone wants to come to God and wants to know God they must come through Him alone otherwise there is no other way .

"[6]Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. "- John 14:6

Jesus Christ is existing from the beginning, He is the Alpha- the beginning and the Omega- the end. The name Jesus is revealed to the mankind for the sake of salvation. This is the name that Jacob, Moses, Gideon and the mother of Samson and many prophets sought to know. But that name is being revealed in this end age for the sake of our salvation. The name is Jesus. Jesus is not a human who ascended to be God but He is the God who descended to be a human for the salvation of humans.

Last word

Dear friends, Lord Jesus has done a great work that no king, great man, teacher or sage can do in this world. He offered Himself as a sin offering for all mankind. Thus the way to heaven is opened for mankind.

Lord Jesus was not a sage who did penance for His own sake, to gain powers or to be liberated. He is the God who put aside all His powers to die for the salvation of all mankind.

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