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- Mark 15:39 - “So when the centurion, who stood opposite Him, saw that He cried out like this and breathed His last, he said, ‘Truly this Man was the Son of God!’”
- J. W. McGarvey, The Fourfold Gospel
- John Gill Commentary

# “Who Do Men Say That I Am?”

- A lowly carpenter
  - Mark 6:3 - “Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us? And they were offended at Him.”
- The son of Joseph
  - John 6:42 - “And they said, Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that He says, I have come down from heaven?”

# “Who Do Men Say That I Am?”

- A sinner
  - John 9:24 - “So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner.”
- Born of illegitimacy
  - John 8:41 - “You do the deeds of your father. Then they said to Him, We were not born of fornication; we have one Father--God.”

# “Who Do Men Say That I Am?”

- A demon
  - Matt. 12:24 - “Now when the Pharisees heard it they said, This fellow does not cast out demons except by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons.”
- Insane
  - John 10:20 - “And many of them said, He has a demon and is mad. Why do you listen to Him?”

# “Who Do Men Say That I Am?”

- The object of contempt
  - Matt. 27:38-43 - “And those who passed by blasphemed Him, wagging their heads 40 and saying, ‘You who destroy the temple and build it in three days, save Yourself! If You are the Son of God, come down from the cross.’ 41 Likewise the chief priests also, mocking with the scribes and elders, said, 42 ‘He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He is the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. 43 He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now if He will have Him; for He said, “I am the Son of God.”””

# “Who Do Men Say That I Am?”

- An embarrassment to His family
  - John 7:3-5 - “His brothers therefore said to Him, ‘Depart from here and go into Judea, that Your disciples also may see the works that You are doing. 4 For no one does anything in secret while he himself seeks to be known openly. If You do these things, show Yourself to the world.’ 5 For even His brothers did not believe in Him.”

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- Jesus said He is God.
  - John 8:58 - “Jesus said to them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM.’”
  - Col. 1:17 - “And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”
  - Col. 2:9 - “For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.”
  - Rev. 1:8 - “I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, says the Lord, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”



# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- He commanded the physical world.
- Calmed the stormy sea
  - Luke 8:24-25 - “And they came to Him and awoke Him, saying, ‘Master, Master, we are perishing!’ Then He arose and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water. And they ceased, and there was a calm. 25 But He said to them, ‘Where is your faith?’ And they were afraid, and marveled, saying to one another, ‘Who can this be? For He commands even the winds and water, and they obey Him!’”

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- He commanded the physical world.
- Changed water into wine
  - John 2:7-9 - “Jesus said to them, ‘Fill the water pots with water.’ And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And He said to them, ‘Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast.’ And they took it. 9 When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from...”

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- He commanded the physical world.
- Walked on water
  - Matt. 14:25-27 - “Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. 26 And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, ‘It is a ghost!’ And they cried out for fear. 27 But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, ‘Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid.’”

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- He had power over spirits and demons.
- Gadarene demoniac
  - Mark 5:15 - “Then they came to Jesus, and saw the one who had been demon-possessed and had the legion, sitting and clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.”

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- Destructive spirit
  - Mark 9:25-27 - When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, 'Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more!' 26 Then the spirit cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, 'He is dead.' 27 But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose."

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- He healed all diseases, instantaneously'
- A leper
  - Matt. 8:2-3 - “And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, ‘Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean.’ 3 Then Jesus put out His hand and touched him, saying, ‘I am willing; be cleansed.’ Immediately his leprosy was cleansed.”

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- He healed all diseases, instantaneously.
- A paralyzed servant in great pain
  - Matt. 8:5-7, 13 - “Now when Jesus had entered Capernaum, a centurion came to Him, pleading with Him, 6 saying, ‘Lord, my servant is lying at home paralyzed, dreadfully tormented.’ 7 And Jesus said to him, ‘I will come and heal him’ ... And his servant was healed that same hour.”

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- He healed all diseases, instantaneously.
- Peter's mother-in-law and many others
  - Matt. 8:14-17 - “Now when Jesus had come into Peter's house, He saw his wife's mother lying sick with a fever. 15 So He touched her hand, and the fever left her. And she arose and served them. 16 When evening had come, they brought to Him many who were demon-possessed. And He cast out the spirits with a word, and healed all who were sick, 17 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: ‘He Himself took our infirmities And bore our sicknesses.’”



# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- He raised the dead.
- The son of the widow of Nain
  - Luke 7:14-16 - “Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, ‘Young man, I say to you, arise.’ 15 So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. 16 Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, ‘A great prophet has risen up among us; and, God has visited His people.’”

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- Jairus' daughter

- Mark 5:22-23, 35, 39-42 - “And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet and begged Him earnestly, saying, ‘My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live...’ 35 While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, ‘Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?’ ... 39 When He came in, He said to them, ‘Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping.’ 40 And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. 41 Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, ‘Talitha, cumi,’ which is translated, ‘Little girl, I say to you, arise.’ 42 Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement.”

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- Lazarus

- John 11:37, 39-45 - “And some of them said, ‘Could not this Man, who opened the eyes of the blind, also have kept this man from dying?’ ... 39 Jesus said, ‘Take away the stone.’ Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, ‘Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days.’ 40 Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?’ 41 Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead man was lying. And Jesus lifted up His eyes and said, ‘Father, I thank You that You have heard Me. 42 And I know that You always hear Me, but because of the people who are standing by I said this, that they may believe that You sent Me.’ 43 Now when He had said these things, He cried with a loud voice, ‘Lazarus, come forth!’ 44 And he who had died came out bound hand and foot with grave clothes, and his face was wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, ‘Loose him, and let him go.’ 45 Then many of the Jews who had come to Mary, and had seen the things Jesus did, believed in Him.”

# Who Did Jesus Prove Himself To Be?

- He arose from the dead.
  - John 20:26-28 - “And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, ‘Peace to you!’ 27 Then He said to Thomas, ‘Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.’ 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, ‘My Lord and my God!’”

# Who Testified On Jesus' Behalf?

- John the Baptist
  - John 5:32-33 - “There is another who bears witness of Me, and I know that the witness which He witnesses of Me is true. 33 You have sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth.”
- The miracles of Jesus
  - John 5:36 - “But I have a greater witness than John’s; for the works which the Father has given Me to finish--the very works that I do--bear witness of Me, that the Father has sent Me.”

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- God the Father
  - John 5:37 - “And the Father Himself, who sent Me, has testified of Me.”
- The inspiration of Moses
  - John 5:46 - “For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me; for he wrote about Me.”

# Who Testified On Jesus' Behalf?

- The apostles who were with Him every day
  - Matt. 16:13-19 - “When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, ‘Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?’ 14 So they said, ‘Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ 15 He said to them, ‘But who do you say that I am?’ 16 Simon Peter answered and said, ‘You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.’ 17 Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. 19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.’”

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- You will confess this now in obedience to the Gospel...
  - Rom. 10:10 - “For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”
- ...Or, you will confess it on Judgment Day; but then, it will be too late.
  - Rev. 1:7 - “Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.”