

The Son who is God

Mark 12:35-37

- I. Jesus is Man – The Messiah is the human descendant of David (Mark 12:35).
 - While teaching in the temple, Jesus asks the Jews to confirm that the Messiah (“Christ”) would be David’s son.

- II. Jesus is God – The Messiah is David’s “Lord.” (Mark 12:36-37; Psalm 110:1).
 - A. The Message of Psalm 110: God will defeat Satan, sin and judge all sinners (Colossians 2:15).
 - B. The Logic of Jesus in Psalm 110:1 & Mark 12:36-37:
 1. Premise: The Messiah is David’s Son.
 2. Premise: The Messiah is also David’s Lord.
 3. Conclusion: Therefore Messiah is both God and Man.
 - How could the Messiah be both David’s Son and also His Lord unless He was both God and man?
 - The Messiah must be humanly descended from David, yet also prove himself to be God – which describes Jesus. So Jesus is God and Man!

Why we need a Savior who is God and Man

1. **Because Jesus is God and Man, He could pay for our sin by His death on the cross.**
 - Christ “became sin” on the cross for us – able to die because He was man, but able to pay for sin because He was God (2 Corinthians 5:21).
2. **Because Jesus is God and Man, He can give us power over sin.**
 - Because He is human, Jesus truly understands what we experience because He was tempted like we are. Because he is God, He is always available to help us overcome temptation (2:18; Hebrews 4:14-16).