

“The Credentials Of Jesus Christ”

Lesson Text: **Matthew 16:13-17.**

I. What Some Said About Jesus:

- John the Baptist.
- Elijah.
- Jeremiah.
- Or One of the Other Prophets.

II. What Some Say Today:

- He Was NOT the Son of God.
- He Was NOT Born of a Virgin.
- He Was NOT the Jesus of the Bible— A Myth.
- He WAS A Rabbi And A Good Man Only.

III. Still Others Say With Conviction:

- He IS The Son Of God.
- He WAS Born of a Virgin.
- He IS The Savior of Lost Sinners- **2 Timothy 1:10.**

IV. External Evidence That He Lived And Was The Son of God.

- The Followers Of Christ: Peter, James, John, Mary, Martha.... **1 John 1:1-3.**
- Christianity in the World Today.
- Books Written By Historians, Enemies, And Friends.
- The Bible Itself- **John 20:30-31.**

V. Internal Evidences That Prove Jesus Was The Son of God.

- The Many Prophecies And Their Fulfillment:
 - **Psalms 22; Isaiah 53; Matthew 27; Acts 8.**
- The Many Testimonies Of Others:
 - The Angels- **Luke 1:35; Acts 1:11.**
 - God, the Father- **Matthew 3:16-17; Matthew 17:5.**
 - Peter And The Disciples- **John 1:41; Mark 6:7; Luke 19:37.**
 - Demons- **Luke 4:41.**
 - Samaritan Woman at the Well- **John 4:29-30.**
 - Martha- **John 11:27.**
 - The Centurion- **Matthew 27:50-54.**

VI. Christ Himself Indirectly Said He Was The Son of God.

- **John 9:35-38-** Jesus Points This Out To The Man Born Blind.
- **John 10:24-28-** Jesus Did Not Deny That He Was God's Son.
- **Matthew 20:29-34-** Jesus Did Not Rebuke Anyone For Calling Him, “*Son of David.*”

VII. Credentials That Prove That Jesus Was God's Son.

- He Was With God At The Beginning- **Genesis 1:1; Vs. 26. John 1:1; Vs. 14.**
- Born of the Virgin Mary- **Matthew 1:18-23.**
- Jesus Performed Miracles- **John 3:2; 7:31.**
- Jesus Died And Was Resurrected- **Philippians 2:7-9; Romans 1:1-4; Acts 17:31.**
- Jesus Built The Church- **Matthew 16:18.**
- Jesus Reigns In Heaven- **1 Corinthians 15:24-26.**
- Jesus Will Be The Judge Of All- **2 Corinthians 5:10.**

Conclusion: 1 Timothy 3:16.