

Son of God is God as Son

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1. The Watchtower Society claims that Jesus is not God but is the Son of God, by this they have set the term “Son of God” against the concept of “God”. Thus to the Watchtower, “God” cannot be the “Son of God”. Here is what they say.

“Based on all this evidence, then, would you say that the Bible teaches that Jesus is God? No, it doesn’t seem that way. The Bible says that he is God’s Son.” **The Watchtower**, April 1, 2012, pg. 22.

2. Thus in that quotation “Son of God” or “God’s Son” as they put it does not mean God. But what do they say that “God’s Son” or “Son of God” mean? We are told this strange meaning.

“As the only one directly created by God, Jesus could rightly be called “the only begotten Son of God”.” **Ibid.** pg. 5.

3. Thus the Watchtower’s concept of Jesus’ son ship with the Father can be summed up in these following points.

- a. Son of God definitely means that Jesus is not God.
- b. Son of God means that Jesus was the only one directly created by God.

4. Here are what those two points would mean for the Watchtower understanding about Jesus.

- a. It would mean that the term “Son of God” or “God’s Son” as they phrase it, does not include Divinity or God-ship in the phrase, hence Jesus is not God.
- b. Son of God means that Jesus was definitely created by God so that He is not God.

5. It is not our purpose in this study to discuss whether Jesus was created or not, it is to discuss if the phrase “Son of God” includes “God” or “divinity” in its definition. If it does, then as Son of God, Jesus cannot simply be a created being, because God is not created. We will now give a definition that clearly explains what the term “Son of God” means for Jesus in the Bible both the First and Second Witnesses or Old and New Testament.

“Son of God is “God in a begotten temple of human flesh fulfilling the role of a son”.”

6. This concept is the concept that is clearly presented in the whole Bible. Jesus said the Scriptures testify of Him. (Jn. 5:39).

7. In this prophetic Psalm we see the following:
 - a. YHWH's Anointed (or Messiah) is His Son. (Ps. 2:2, 7).
 - b. Kiss in the First Witness is a form of worship, and the admonition to kiss the Son is an admonition to worship the Son. (Ps. 2:12; Job 31:26-28; 1 Ki. 19:18; Hos. 13:2).
 - c. Worshipping the Son would mean that the Son is God, because Jesus said that it is only God that should be worshipped. (Matt. 4:10).
8. That clearly proved that the worshipped Son was God, thus Son of God is God. Here is more proof.
 - a. YHWH is called Immanuel that owns the land of Israel, and this is confirmed by the meaning of the name which is God with us. (Isa. 8:8, 10).
 - b. The virgin makes a child that is called Immanuel (God with us). (Isa. 7:14).
 - c. This prophecy is about Jesus the Messiah, thus He is "God with us", or He is the Son who is God with us. (Matt. 1:23).
9. Since Jesus was not literally called Immanuel during His life on earth, the name as applied to Him referred to the concept or meaning of the name, showing that He was indeed God with us. This same idea is represented in this following Scripture. The Messiah is called Son or YHWH's Son yet is identified as God and as the Everlasting Father. These were not His literal names by which He was called during His tenure on earth, so the meaning or concepts in the names are what are applied to Him showing that He is the Son who is God. (Isa. 9:6).
10. Here again is more relevant proof that the Son of God is God in human flesh.
 - a. Jesus who was in human flesh is the only Saviour. (Acts. 4:10-12; Jn. 4:42).
 - b. YHWH is the only God and Saviour. (Isa. 45:21-23).
 - c. Thus Jesus the Saviour has to be God in human flesh or the Son of God who is God. (1 Tim. 2:3; 1 Tim. 4:10; Tit. 1:3, 4; Tit. 2:13; Tit. 3:4, 6; 2 Pet. 1:1).
11. Again, the Son who is to come, this time called the "son of David" is YHWH as our Righteousness Himself. Thus the son of David is God as a son. (Jer. 23:5, 6).
12. In this Scripture the Son of God is to come forth to Him out of Bethlehem, and this Son is from antiquity and everlasting which is only the prerogative of God. Thus the Son of God is God. (Mic. 5:2; Hab. 1:12; Matt. 2:3-6).

13. Again this is proof from Scripture that the sent one on earth in flesh is Jesus, and this sent one is YHWH Himself. Hence the sent Son of God is God YHWH Himself.
 - a. Jesus is the prophesied sent one. (Jn. 7:28, 29, 33; Jn. 17:3).
 - b. There is a “Sender YHWH” and a “Sent YHWH” which is Jesus; thus Jesus as the sent Son of God is God Himself. (Zech. 2:8-11).
14. The Word was made flesh, and that Word was God. Thus the Son of God that was begotten is God Himself. (Jn. 1:1, 14).
15. The sent one of the Father (Son of God) is the, I AM, thus the Son of God is God. (Jn. 8:18, 24, 28, 58; Ex. 3:14, 15).
16. God is also the Son of God. (Jn. 10:24-36).
17. The Father calls the Son God, thus the Son of God is God in a temple of begotten flesh. (Heb. 1:8-12).
18. The Son of God is the true God. (1 Jn. 5:20).
19. Finally, God is Spirit Nature. (Jn. 4:24; 2 Pet. 1:4).
20. God who is Spirit Nature was in the human body of Christ. (2 Cor. 5:19).

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