

The Greatness of Jesus

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Introduction.

I. As one reads through the books of the Old Testament he finds numerous prophecies foretelling the greatness of Jesus Christ. Men like Moses, David, Isaiah Jeremiah, Daniel, Hosea and others foretold the greatness that Jesus would have.

A. **John the Baptist**, the forerunner of Christ, also spoke of His greatness. (Matt. 3:11).

B. Christ fulfilled all of these prophecies of His greatness and was undoubtedly the greatest man who has ever lived.

II. Here are some of the things which make Jesus the greatest man in all history.

I. **Birth** - Christ was great because of His birth. (Matt. 1:18-23).

MAT 1:18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows. When His mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child by the Holy Spirit. 19 And Joseph her husband, being a righteous man, and not wanting to disgrace her, desired to put her away secretly. 20 But when he had considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for that which has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. 21 "And she will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins." 22 Now all this took place that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet might be fulfilled, saying, 23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and shall bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel," which translated means, "God with us."

A. Matthew tells us Christ was born of a virgin. His conception was not by a human father, but by the Holy Spirit.

B. Since Christ was begotten of the Holy Spirit, it means that Christ was more than just a man.

1. He was both God and man.

2. He was Deity in the flesh. (Matt. 1:23; Jn. 1:1, 2, 14).

3. He was like God. (Jn. 10:30; 14:9).

II. **Life** - Christ was great because of His life. There are 4 things that stand out about Christ's life.

A. The first thing that stands out about Christ was **His attitude**.

1. His attitude was perfect.

2. Luke tells us about Mary and Joseph attending the Passover feast. (Lk. 2:42-49).