

# Jesus Is the Christ—And So Are You

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“Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord.” — Luke 2:11 (NIV)

“For no matter how many promises God has made, they are ‘Yes’ in Christ.” — 2 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV)

## Two Words, One Divine Reality

Why do we say Jesus Christ and not Jesus Antichrist? Why does the Bible sometimes say Christ Jesus instead of Jesus Christ? These aren’t just grammatical quirks—they’re theological declarations. In fact, the very order of these words reveals profound truths about who Jesus is—and who we are in Him.

Today, I want to give you the headlights of a deeper teaching—one that will transform how you see your identity, your authority, and your mission as a believer. This isn’t just academic—it’s life-changing.

## 1. Jesus: The Name of Humanity

Jesus is His personal name. It comes from the Hebrew Yeshua, meaning “Yahweh saves.”

This is the name given by the angel to Mary: “You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus” (Luke 1:31).

- Jesus was born in a stable.
- He grew up in Nazareth.
- He wept, hungered, prayed, and bled.
- He was fully human—God with skin on.

When we say Jesus, we remember: God entered our pain, our history, our dust. He didn't just send a message—He became one of us.

## 2. Christ: The Title of Divine Mission

Christ is not a last name—it's a title. It comes from the Greek Christos, meaning "the Anointed One." In Hebrew, that's Messiah.

To be anointed in Scripture means to be:

- Chosen by God,
- Empowered by the Spirit,
- Set apart for a sacred purpose—as
  - Prophet
  - Priest
  - King

So when the New Testament declares "Jesus is the Christ," it's saying:

"This man from Nazareth is the long-awaited King from David's line. He is the Prophet like Moses. He is the High Priest who offers Himself once for all. He is the fulfillment of every promise."

That's why Peter's confession in Matthew 16:16 shook the gates of hell: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

## 3. Jesus Christ vs. Christ Jesus: Order Matters

"Jesus Christ" = Humanity first, then divine identity.

→ Used in the Gospels to reveal: "The man you see is the Messiah!"

→ Perfect for evangelism: introducing the world to the Savior.

"Christ Jesus" = Divine identity first, then incarnation.

→ Used by Paul to remind believers: "The cosmic Lord became flesh—and you are IN Him!"

→ Emphasizes our union with the risen, reigning King.

This isn't semantics—it's strategy. The early church knew:

To say "Jesus is Lord" was to dethrone Caesar.

To say “Christ Jesus reigns” was to declare a new kingdom had dawned.

And people died for saying it.

#### **4. You Are “In Christ”—And That Changes Everything**

Paul uses the phrase “in Christ” over 80 times. Why? Because your identity is no longer defined by your past, your failures, or your nation—but by your union with the Anointed One.

You are not ruling with Jesus the baby in the manger.

You are ruling with Christ—the exalted King at the Father’s right hand (Ephesians 2:6).

This means:

Your authority doesn’t come from charisma—it comes from alignment.

Your victory isn’t something you fight for—it’s something you fight from.

You don’t earn your place—you stand in it, by grace.

You carry Christ’s title—not because you’re perfect, but because you’re anointed by His Spirit.

#### **5. A Call to Bold Identity and Unity**

The early church didn’t whisper, “Jesus is nice.” They proclaimed:

“Jesus is the Christ—and Caesar is not Lord!”

That same boldness is ours today. But it must be lived in unity.

Why? Because the world won’t believe our message until they see our love (John 13:35).

Unity flows not from agreement on politics—but from shared surrender to Christ’s lordship.

When we walk in our identity in Christ, filled with His Spirit, submitted to His Word—

→ Love flows like a river.

→ Darkness flees.

→ Revival breaks out—in homes, churches, businesses, nations.

### **Closing: Your Passport Is Signed**

Think of it like this:

When you were baptized into Christ, you received a heavenly passport—with His image stamped on it.

You are now an ambassador of His kingdom (2 Corinthians 5:20).

You carry His name. His authority. His mission.

So live like who you really are:

Not just a forgiven sinner—but a co-heir with Christ, seated with Him in the heavenlies, clothed in His anointing, advancing His kingdom on earth.

### **Next Steps**

This is just the beginning. The full teaching—including how to rule with Christ, understand spiritual laws in the New Covenant, and walk in unity—is available for free study:



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### **Share it. Study it. Live it.**

Because when the Church knows who she is in Christ—nothing can stop her.

God bless you—and may you walk ever deeper in the reality that Jesus is the Christ... and so are you.