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Short Study 084: Marks of Jesus' Divinity

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Read John 20:25-30

Introduction: When Thomas addressed the risen Christ "My Lord and my God," Jesus did not rebuke him for calling Him God, which He surely would have done were it not true. The more we learn of Jesus from the Gospels and Epistles, the more we see the marks of His divinity.

Jesus' Divine Attributes. Theologians attempt to describe God by identifying His characteristics, which they call 'Attributes.' Here are ten of the Divine Attributes. Identify from the Scriptures how they were evident in Jesus:

- (i) *Omniscience (all knowing).* Read John 6:64. When did Jesus know who would not believe in Him and who would betray Him?
- (ii) *Omnipresence (present in all places)* Read Matt 28:20. The disciples would not all be together in one place at all times (even less so in the worldwide Church today). When would Jesus be with them?
- (iii) *Omnipotence (all powerful)* Read Matt 28:18. How much authority does Jesus have?
- (iv) *Eternal (no beginning or ending).* There is a prophecy in Isaiah 9:6 that says the Messiah would be called *Everlasting Father*,¹ which means 'Father of Eternity,' I (i.e. eternal). Read John 8:58. Who existed first, Abraham or Jesus?
- (v) *Self-existent (existed without being born or created).* Read John 17:5. When did Jesus first have glory with His Father?
- (vi) *Immutability (unchanging).* Read Heb 13:8. When will Jesus change?
- (vii) *Transcendence (above all).* Read Eph 1:21. Which short phrases in this passage speak of the transcendence of Jesus?
- (viii) *Holiness (perfection).* Read 1 Pet 2:22. What sin did Jesus commit?
- (ix) *Love.* Read John 15:13. How did Jesus show the greatest love?
- (x) *Wisdom.* Read Matt 13:54. What astonished Jesus' hearers about what Jesus said?

To think about: Do I fully appreciate Who Jesus is and obey Him appropriately?

To dig deeper: The list here is not **complete**. Look further into Divine Attributes and consider whether they were, or are, evident in Jesus.