

Jesus' Deity Disputed

John 7:37-52

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Our key disagreement with Jehovah's Witnesses concerns the deity of Christ. They boldly proclaim, "*He is not the Almighty God, who is Jehovah.*" What does the Bible say about Jehovah ("*LORD*") and Jesus?

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as **Creator**:

"...The LORD God made the earth and the heavens..." (Genesis 2:4,7). *"All things were made by him..."* (John 1:3).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as **I AM**:

"And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM..." (Exodus 3:14). *"Jesus said unto them...Before Abraham was, I am"* (John 8:58; also John 8:24).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as **God**:

"Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD...that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me" (Isaiah 43:10; also Isaiah 45:21,22). *"...Behold, a virgin shall...bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel"* (Isaiah 7:14). *"...That it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord...saying, Behold, a virgin...shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us"* (Matthew 1:22).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as **Savior**:

"I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour" (Isaiah 43:11). *"And...thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins"* (Matthew 1:21; also 1 Thessalonians 5:9).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as the **Sovereign One**:

"...Unto me every knee shall bow..." (Isaiah 45:23). *"That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow..."* (Philippians 2:10-11).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as the **First and Last**:

"Thus saith the LORD...I am the first, and I am the last..." (Isaiah 44:6; also Isaiah 48:12). *"...These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive"* (Revelation 2:8; also Revelation 22:13).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as the **Glorious One**:

"I am the LORD...and my glory will I not give to another..." (Isaiah 42:8; also Isaiah 48:11). *"And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self..."* (John 17:5).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as the **Unchangeable One**:

"For I am the LORD, I change not..." (Malachi 3:6). *"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever"* (Hebrews 13:8).

Both Jehovah and Jesus are identified as the **Almighty**:

"...The LORD...said unto him, I am the Almighty God..." (Genesis 17:1). *"Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him... I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty"* (Revelation 1:7,8; also Revelation 22:12-13).