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## The Supreme Importance and Statistics Involved Concerning Jesus Christ

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# ARTICLE #1

## THE SUPREME IMPORTANCE AND STATISTICS INVOLVED CONCERNING JESUS CHRIST

### THE SUPREME IMPORTANCE:

- The Old Testament opens with man made in the likeness of God. The New Testament opens with God made in the likeness of man.
- In the Old Testament the sovereign Creator created His creatures. In the New Testament the sinful creatures crucified their sovereign Creator.
- These statements, in essence, summarize the person and work of Jesus Christ, who is both the Lamb of God and the Lion of Judah.
- It has been estimated that some 40 billion individuals have lived upon this earth since Adam. What a contrast can be seen in this vast multitude of humanity. It includes black men, white men, brown men, and yellow men. These men have explored and settled in every corner of this earth. They speak dozens of languages, practice multitudes of religions, and have formulated numerous cultures.
- But every single human being in this 40 billion number shares one vital thing in common. His purpose of life down here and his eternal destiny afterwards depend completely upon his personal relationship with the subject of this study—the Lord Jesus Christ. It is therefore absolutely impossible to overemphasize the importance of His life. The key question of the universe continues to be, *"What think ye of Christ?"* (Mt. 22:42).
- Jesus said, *"Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me"* (Jn. 5:39).

### THE STATISTICS:

Who is this controversial candidate whose platform promises universal peace and justice? Can He really deliver, or is this just some more political mumbo jumbo? Can we trust Him? Will He raise our taxes? Here is His resume. Read it and decide for yourself!

- His place of birth: Bethlehem (Lk. 2:4-7)
- The nature of His birth: born of a virgin (Mt. 1:18-23)
- His own personal nature: said to be both fully human and divine (Isa. 9:6)
- His father: The first person of the Trinity (Lk. 1:35; 2:49)
- His mother: a virgin named Mary (Lk. 2:7)
- His half-brothers: James, Joseph, Simon, Judas (Mt. 13:55)

- His half-sisters (Mt. 13:56)
- His famous ancestors: Abraham and David (Mt. 1:1)
- His first historical reference: the Seed of the woman (Gen. 3:15)
- His overall occupation: Creator (Jn. 1:3), Redeemer (1 Peter 1:18, 19), Shepherd (Jn. 10:11), Judge (Jn. 5:22), and Prophet (Mt. 13:57)
- His platform: given in detail by the Sea of Galilee (Mt. 5-7)
- His temperament (Mt. 11:29, 30; 12:19, 20)
- His recent accomplishments: healing the sick (Mt. 4:23, 24), raising the dead (Jn. 11:43, 44), feeding the hungry (Jn. 6:5-13), comforting the comfortless (Mt. 11:28)
- Place of death: outside Jerusalem on a hill (Mt. 27:33)
- Manner of death: crucifixion (Jn. 19:18)
- Age at death: approximately 34 years old
- Place of resurrection: from a Garden Tomb (Jn. 19:41; 20:11-17)
- Place of ascension: the Mount of Olives (Acts 1:9-12)
- Current Activities: serving as a Great High Priest in heaven, praying for His earthly followers (Rom. 8:34; Heb. 7:25; 9:24)
- Anticipated place of His return: the Mount of Olives (Zech. 14:4)
- Final assignment upon returning: to rule over all creation's realm as King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 11:15)

This brief resume has been prepared by the Third Person in the Trinity (the Holy Spirit), upon the approval of the First Person in the Trinity (the Father). Its accuracy is thus assured!