Jesus has God's Attributes
- Creator/sustainer - Col 1:13-17, Heb 1:2

- Eternal - Hebrews 13:8, Ps 90:2, John 8:57-58, Dan 7:9,13,22; Rev 1:14

- Lawgiver - John 8:51

- Forgives sins - Mark 2, Luke 5:20

Conclusion:
- Jesus is the supreme object of the father's love for eternity - and so should he be ours.
- He is preeminent over all creation - all creation is from him through him and to him - and it is through him and in him that we have redemption.
- This is why the Eternal Son is the one who should die for sins.
- So that he might continue to be the focus of the Father's love and glory for eternity.

Christ's Dignity and Divinity

2 Cor 3:18 And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

Christ's Dignity

"Jesus did not come into the world for us: we came into the world for Jesus."

Col 1:15-18

- **Image of the Father** John 4:24

- Jesus is the reason for creation - so He might be Creator

- Jesus is the reason for redemption - so he might be Redeemer

- Jesus is the goal of all things

The Son is the primary object of the Father's love

- Isa 42:1, Matt 3:17, Matt 17:5, John 17:23, 26

- Nothing makes us more like the father than imitating him in this - the love of the Son (1 Cor 16:22)

- In Christ is every spiritual blessing (Eph 1:3)
  - The faithless soul sees nothing lovely in Christ Isa 53:2

- In the Plan of Redemption
  - Phil 2:11 Isa 49:1-12, 53:12
  - John 13:31

Christ's Divinity

My Lord and My GOD - John 20: 28-29

What are the implications if Jesus was only a man and not God?

Jesus claims to be God:

- John 10:30- 31
- John 14: 8-11
- John 8:57
- Luke 22:70−71, Mark 14:62−64, John 19

Scriptures proclaim Jesus is God

- John 1:1
- Romans 9:5
- Titus 2:13
- Hebrews 1:8
- 2 Peter 1:1

The Messiah is God - by Isiaiah

- Isa 41:1   - Rev 1:17
- Isa 44:6   - Rev 2:8
- Isa 48:12 - Rev 22:13
- Isa 6:5   - John 12:41
- Isa 42:8   - John 17:5
- Isa 45:22-23 - Phil 2:5-11