# Gospel of John "I Am: Jesus' Claims to Deity"

#### Last Week's Memory Verse Isaiah 26:3-4

You will keep in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You. Trust in the LORD forever, for in YAH, the LORD, is everlasting strength.

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"...the value of Christ's miracles comes not so much from their supernatural character as from their spiritual significance. ...They were not so much demonstrations of special power as illustrations of moral authority.".

-John Stott, Basic Christianity

#### Dr. Henry Morris on 'I Am' Statements in the Bible

- 7 I Am's in the book of Genesis
  - ➤ 15:1 After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, "Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward."
  - **▶15:7** "I am the LORD"

#### Dr. Henry Morris on 'I Am' Statements in the Bible

- •21 (3x7) I Am statements in Exodus,
  - >including the most known:

Exodus 3:14 "I AM WHO I AM." ... 'I AM has sent me to you.' "

Dr. Henry Morris on 'I Am' Statements in the Bible Book of Psalms:

seven "I Am"s that speak prophetically and sadly of the future sufferings of the incarnate Christ. All appearing in messianic psalms.

### Dr. Henry Morris on 'I Am' Statements in the Bible The Prophets

- Isaiah 35 (7x5)
- Ezekiel 70
- Jeremiah 21 (7x3)
- Minor prophets have a total of 21

# Dr. Henry Morris on 'I Am' Statements in the Bible Book of Revelation

- 1:8 "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending"
- 1:11 -"I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last"
- 1:17 "Fear not; I am the first and the last"
- 1:18 "I am He that lives, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death"
- 21:6 "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end"
- 22:13 "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last"
- 22:16 "I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star"

# Turn to John 8:48-49

Reference	Miracle
2:1-11	Water into wine
4:46-54	Heal royal official's son
5:1-15	Heal lame man at Bethesda (Sheep gate)
6:1-14	Feeding the 5000
6:15-21	Walking on water
9:1-7	Healing man born blind
11:1-45	Raise Lazarus from the dead

Reference	I Am
6:35,48,51	Bread of life
8:12	The Light of the World
10:7,9	Door of the sheep
10:11,14	The Good Shepherd
11:25	Resurrection and the life
14:6	The way, truth, life
15:1-5	True vine

# Feeding the 5000 (6:1-14) The Bread of Life, (6:35, 48, 51)

#### John 6:26-27

Jesus answered them and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled. "Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man will give you, because God the Father has set His seal on Him."

#### John 6:33-35,40

"For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." Then they said to Him, "Lord, give us this bread always." And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst. ... And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

# Healing man born blind (9:1-7) The Light of the World (8:12)

#### John 8:12

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."

# The Hebrew Scriptures often spoke of God's Word as light.

- Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119:105).
- •Oh, send out Your light and Your truth! Let them lead me (Psalm 43:3).

Since Jesus is the Word (John 1:1), it makes perfect sense that He is also the light. - Guzik

#### John 9:1-2

Now as [Jesus] passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"

## Door of the sheep / Good Shepherd John 10:7, 9, 11, 14)

#### John 10:7, 9

Then Jesus said to them again, "Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. ... "I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.

John 10:11, 14
"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep. ... I am the good shepherd; and I know My [sheep], and am known by My own.

### Raise Lazarus from the dead; (11:1-45) Resurrection and the life (11:25)

# Taking it Home

## **Memory Verse**

John 8:31-32

"If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."