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HISTORICAL JESUS

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JESUS SAID HE'S THE ONLY WAY TO BE SAVED

{JOHN 14:6}

**“I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE.
NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME.”**

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TOP 10 REASONS PEOPLE DON'T BELIEVE JESUS EXISTED

- 10) SKEPTICAL OF ANYTHING SUPERNATURAL
- 9) ORAL TRADITIONS TAMPERED
- 8) COMPARATIVE RELIGIONS
- 7) HISTORICAL SOURCES
- 6) CRITIQUE OF NEW TESTAMENT
- 5) FEW CONTEMPORARY WRITERS
- 4) HISTORIANS CAN'T BE TRUSTED
- 3) MYTHICAL PARALLELISM
- 2) TOMB OF JESUS & MARY MAGDALENE
- 1) MYTHICAL WRITINGS WITHIN CONTEXT

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WHAT IF JESUS NEVER EXISTED

- 1) NO MAJOR RELIGIOUS COMMUNITIES
- 2) ART & CULTURE
- 3) PHILOSOPHICAL THOUGHT
- 4) WESTERN LEGAL SYSTEM
- 5) SOCIAL SERVICES = CHARITIES
- 6) SCIENCE & ENLIGHTENMENT
- 7) CULTURAL EXCHANGE

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**THE IMPACT
OF JESUS**

MAHATMA GANDHI
"I LIKE YOUR CHRIST,
I DO NOT LIKE YOUR CHRISTIANS.
YOUR CHRISTIANS ARE SO UNLIKE YOUR
CHRIST."

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THE IMPACT OF JESUS

ALBERT EINSTEIN

"I AM A JEW, BUT I AM ENTHRALLED BY THE LUMINOUS FIGURE OF THE NAZARENE... NO ONE CAN READ THE GOSPELS WITHOUT FEELING THE ACTUAL PRESENCE OF JESUS. HIS PERSONALITY PULSATES IN EVERY WORD. NO MYTH IS FILLED WITH SUCH LIFE."

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THE IMPACT OF JESUS

NAPOLEON BONAPARTE

"I KNOW MEN AND I TELL YOU THAT JESUS CHRIST IS NO MERE MAN. BETWEEN HIM AND EVERY OTHER PERSON IN THE WORLD THERE IS NO POSSIBLE TERM OF COMPARISON. ALEXANDER, CAESAR, CHARLEMAGNE, AND I HAVE FOUNDED EMPIRES. BUT ON WHAT DID WE REST THE CREATIONS OF OUR GENIUS? UPON FORCE. JESUS CHRIST FOUNDED HIS EMPIRE UPON LOVE; AND AT THIS HOUR MILLIONS OF MEN WOULD DIE FOR HIM."

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EVIDENCE WHY JESUS SHOULD IMPACT YOUR LIFE

I – INVESTIGATORS
M – MANUSCRIPTS
P – PROPHECIES
A – ARCHEOLOGY
C – CONDUCT
T – TEACHING

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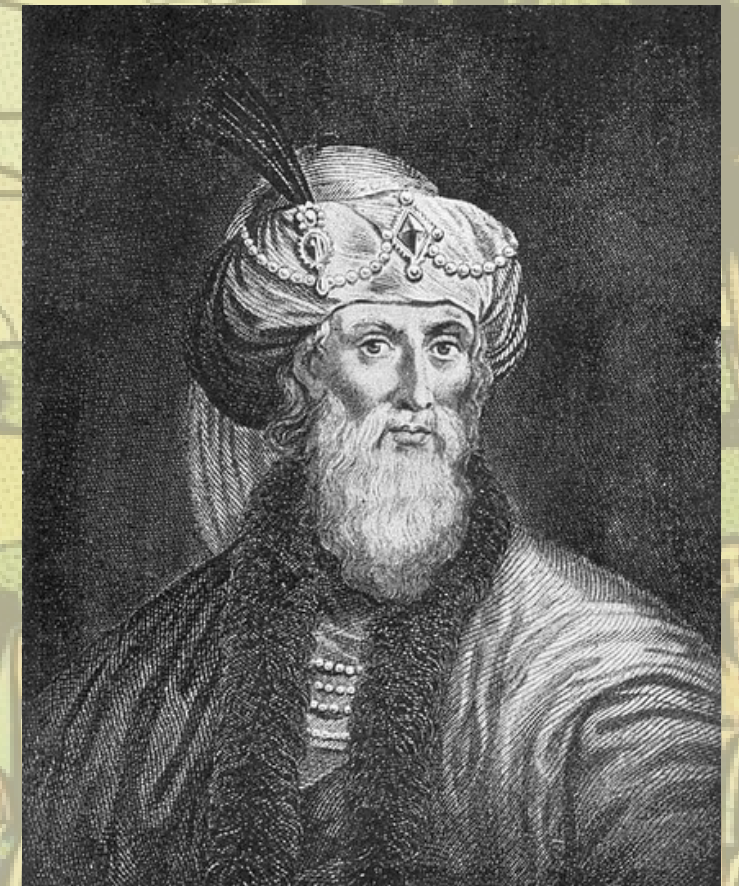
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5 MOST PROMINENT HISTORIANS MENTION JESUS

1) FLAVIUS JOSEPHUS (JEWISH HISTORIAN 93AD)

"AT THIS TIME THERE APPEARED JESUS, A WISE MAN, IF INDEED ONE SHOULD CALL HIM A MAN. FOR HE WAS A DOER OF STARTLING DEEDS, A TEACHER OF PEOPLE WHO RECEIVE THE TRUTH WITH PLEASURE. AND HE GAINED A FOLLOWING BOTH AMONG MANY JEWS AND AMONG MANY OF GREEK ORIGIN. AND WHEN PILATE, BECAUSE OF AN ACCUSATION MADE BY THE LEADING MEN AMONG US, CONDEMNED HIM TO THE CROSS, THOSE WHO HAD LOVED HIM PREVIOUSLY DID NOT CEASE TO DO SO. AND UP TO THIS VERY DAY THE TRIBE OF CHRISTIANS, NAMED AFTER HIM, HAS NOT DIED OUT."



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5 MOST PROMINENT HISTORIANS MENTION JESUS

2) TACITUS (ROMAN HISTORIAN 116AD)

"NERO FASTENED THE GUILT AND INFLICTED THE MOST EXQUISITE TORTURES ON A CLASS HATED FOR THEIR ABOMINATIONS, CALLED CHRISTIANS BY THE POPULACE. CHRISTUS, FROM WHOM THE NAME HAD ITS ORIGIN, SUFFERED THE EXTREME PENALTY DURING THE REIGN OF TIBERIUS AT THE HANDS OF ONE OF OUR PROCURATORS, PONTIUS PILATUS, AND A MOST MISCHIEVOUS SUPERSTITION, THUS CHECKED FOR THE MOMENT, AGAIN BROKE OUT NOT ONLY IN JUDAEA, THE FIRST SOURCE OF THE EVIL, BUT EVEN IN ROME."



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5 MOST PROMINENT HISTORIANS MENTION JESUS

3) PLINY THE YOUNGER
(ROMAN ADMINISTRATOR 112 AD)

"THEY WERE ACCUSTOMED TO MEET ON A FIXED DAY BEFORE DAWN AND SING RESPONSIVELY A HYMN TO CHRIST AS TO A GOD, AND TO BIND THEMSELVES BY OATH, NOT TO SOME CRIME, BUT NOT TO COMMIT FRAUD, THEFT, OR ADULTERY, NOT FALSIFY THEIR TRUST, NOR TO REFUSE TO RETURN A TRUST WHEN CALLED UPON TO DO SO."



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5 MOST PROMINENT HISTORIANS MENTION JESUS

4) SUETONIUS
(ROMAN HISTORIAN 121AD)

**"SINCE THE JEWS CONSTANTLY MADE
DISTURBANCES AT THE INSTIGATION OF
CHRISTOS, HE EXPELLED THEM FROM ROME."**



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5 MOST PROMINENT HISTORIANS MENTION JESUS

5) LUCIAN OF SAMOSATA
(GREEK SATIRIST 180AD)

"THE CHRISTIANS, YOU KNOW, WORSHIP A MAN TO THIS DAY—THE DISTINGUISHED PERSONAGE WHO INTRODUCED THEIR NOVEL RITES, AND WAS CRUCIFIED ON THAT ACCOUNT."



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IMPACT
M = MANUSCRIPTS

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5 TOP MANUSCRIPTS OF RELIGIOUS TEACHINGS

5) ARISTOTLE'S WORKS

-1200 YEAR GAP

-5000 COPIES

-PHILOSOPHY



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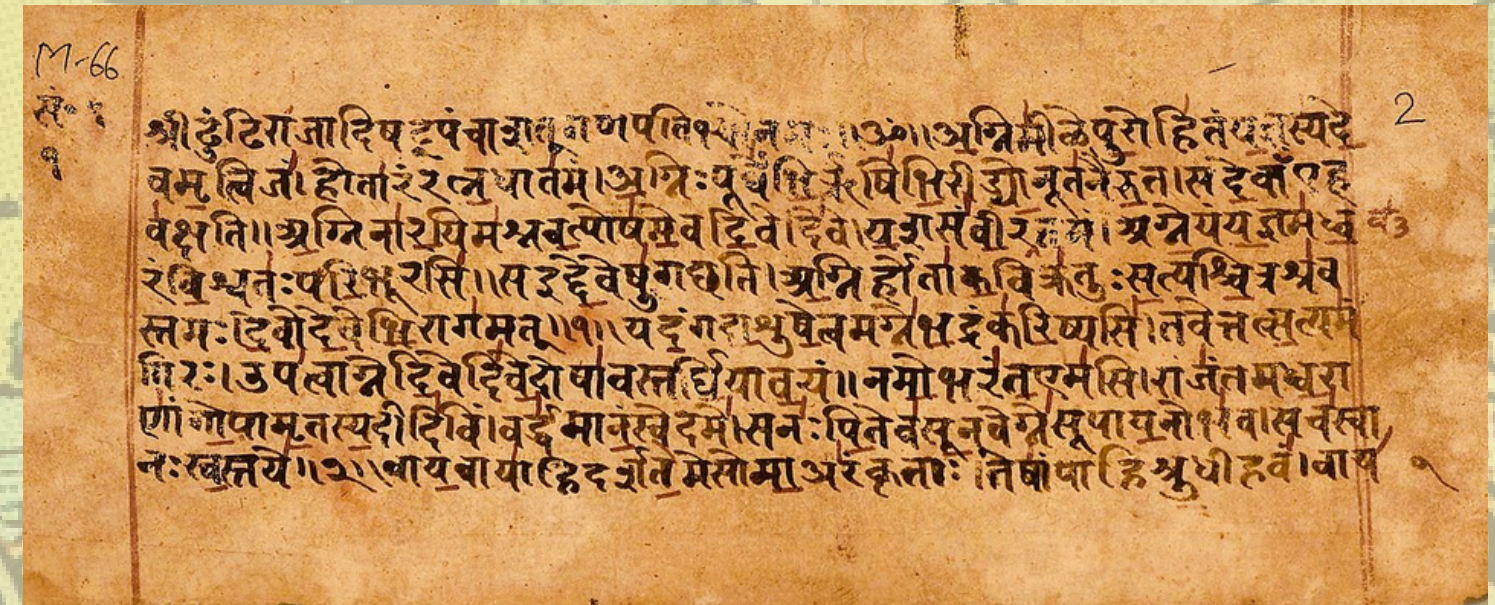
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4) THE VEDAS
-2500 YEAR GAP
-4000ISH COPIES
-HINDUISIM



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M = MANUSCRIPTS

5 TOP MANUSCRIPTS OF RELIGIOUS TEACHINGS

3) WORKS OF HOMER

- 1500 YEAR GAP
- 1750 COPIES
- GREEKS



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IMPACT
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5 TOP MANUSCRIPTS OF RELIGIOUS TEACHINGS

2) THE QURAN

- 85 YEAR GAP
- 10000+ COPIES
- ISLAM



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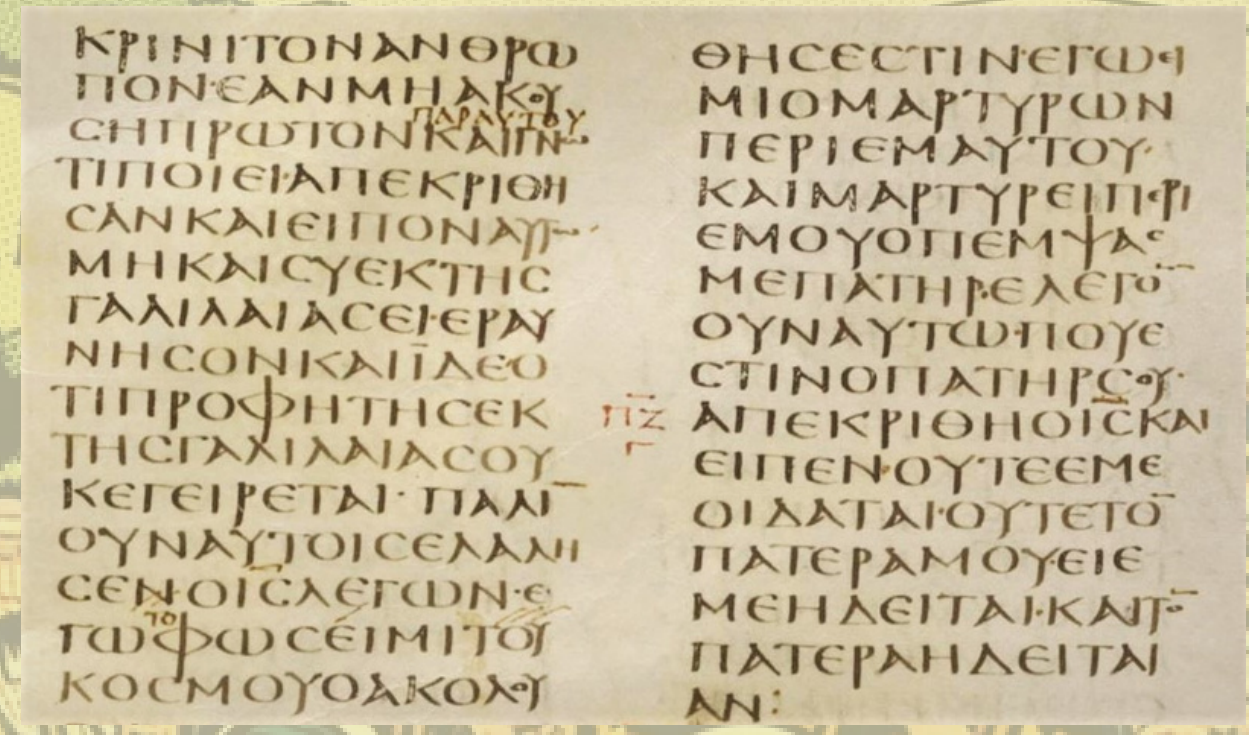


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1) NEW TESTAMENT

- 15 YEAR GAP
- 26,000 COPIES
- CHRISTIANS



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5 RELIGIOUS TEACHERS CLAIM DEITY?

5) KRISHNA
(HINDUISM)
"I MANIFEST MYSELF
ON EARTH."



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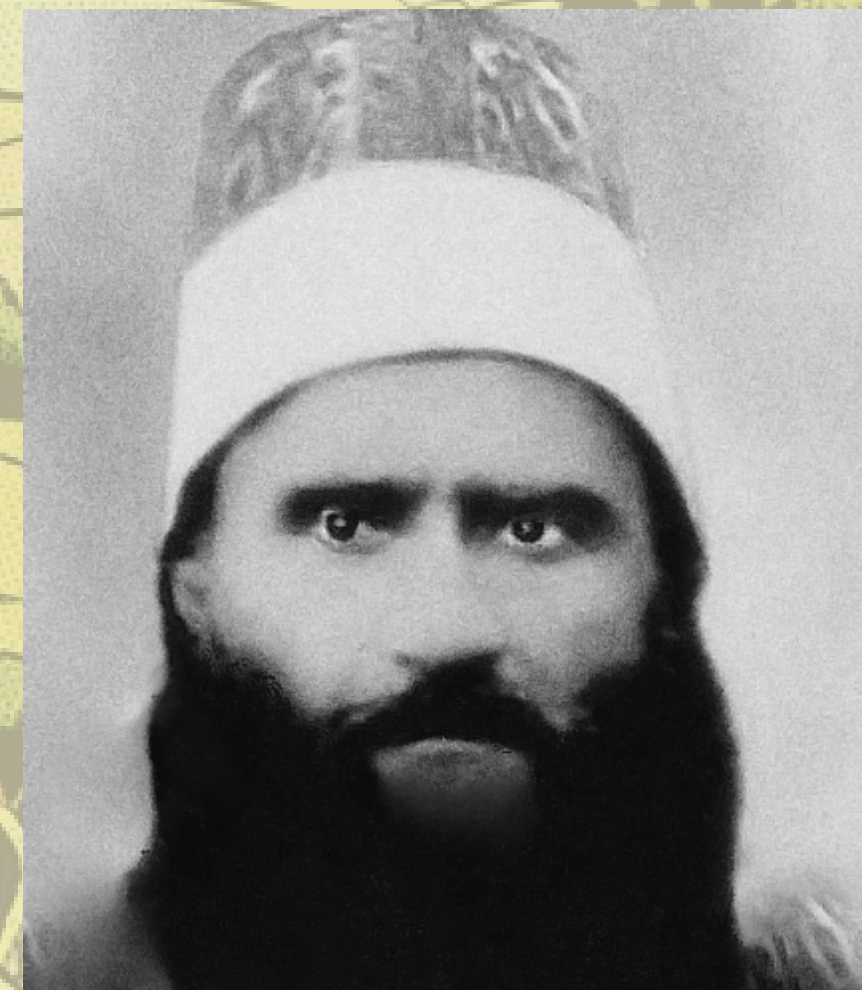
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4) BAHÁ'U'LLÁH

(BAHAI)

“YOU DEEDS EXCEED
YOUR WORDS.”



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5 OTHER RELIGIOUS TEACHERS

3) BUDDHA
(BUDDHISM)
"I AM AWAKE."



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5 OTHER RELIGIOUS TEACHERS

2) MUHAMMAD (ISLAM - MUSLIMS)

**"I AM ONLY A
MAN LIKE YOU."**



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5 RELIGIOUS TEACHERS CLAIM DEITY?

1) JESUS CHRIST

(CHRISTIANITY)

"I AND THE FATHER (GOD) ARE ONE."

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IMPACT
P = PROPHECIES

ONLY JESUS THE MESSIAH HAS BEEN FORETOLD

- 456 ... IN THE OLD TESTAMENT
- 316 ... FULFILLED (1ST)
- 140 ... YET TO BE FULFILLED (2ND)

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P = PROPHECIES

MATHEMATICAL PROBABILITY OF 8 PROPHECIES

- 1) BORN OF THE SEED OF ABRAHAM
- 2) TRIBE OF JUDAH
- 3) LINEAGE OF DAVID
- 4) BORN IN BETHLEHEM
- 5) TEMPLE WAS STILL STANDING
- 6) WORKER OF MIRACLES
- 7) REJECTED BY LEADERS
- 8) CRUCIFIED

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PALM SUNDAY PROPHECY

70 WEEKS OF DANIEL 9

- ~70 WEEKS OF YEARS = 490 YEARS
- ~7 + 62 WEEKS OF YEARS = 483 YEARS
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(JEWISH CALENDAR 360 DAYS)
- ~MARCH 14, 445B.C. - BUILD THE WALL IN ISRAEL
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IMPACT
A = ARCHEOLOGY

5 ARCHEOLOGICAL FINDINGS IN GOSPELS

1) POOLS OF SILOAM & BETHESDA



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5 ARCHEOLOGICAL FINDINGS IN GOSPELS

2) CAIAPHAS



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5 ARCHEOLOGICAL FINDINGS IN GOSPELS

3) HEROD ANTIPAS



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5 ARCHEOLOGICAL FINDINGS IN GOSPELS

4) THE PRAETORIUM



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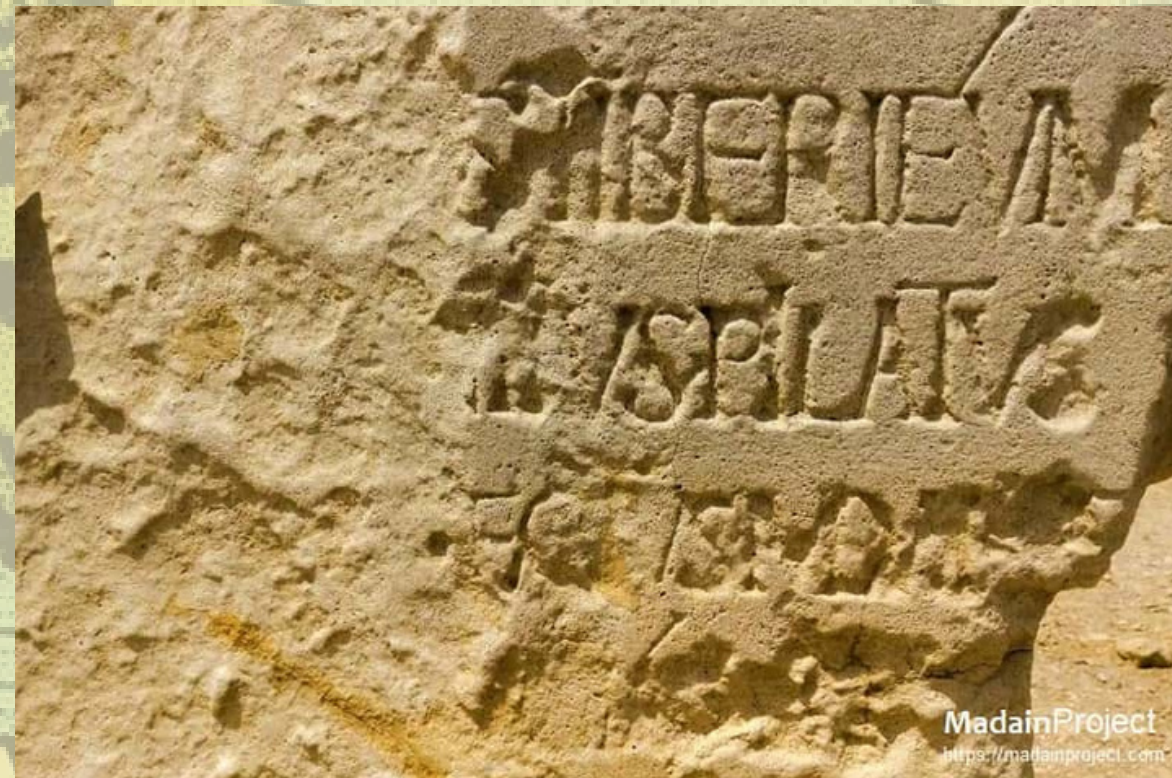


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5) PONTIUS PILATE INSCRIPTION



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IMPACT
C = CONDUCT

7 AMAZING THINGS THAT JESUS DID

- 1) TURNED WATER TO WINE
- 2) FEEDING THE 5,000
- 3) WALKING ON WATER
- 4) HEALED THE SICK
- 5) THE TRANSFIGURATION
- 6) RAISING FRIEND FROM THE DEAD
- 7) RESURRECTING FROM THE DEAD

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7 AMAZING THINGS THAT JESUS DID

[JOHN 21:25]

“AND THERE ARE ALSO MANY OTHER THINGS THAT JESUS DID, WHICH IF THEY WERE WRITTEN ONE BY ONE, I SUPPOSE THAT EVEN THE WORLD ITSELF COULD NOT CONTAIN THE BOOKS THAT WOULD BE WRITTEN. AMEN.”

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T = TEACHING

7 CRAZY THINGS JESUS SAID

1) LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

(MATTHEW 5:44)

“BUT I TELL YOU, LOVE YOUR ENEMIES AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU.”

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7 CRAZY THINGS JESUS SAID

2) SERVANTS ARE GREATEST

(MATTHEW 20:26-27)

“WHOEVER DESIRES TO BECOME GREAT
AMONG YOU, LET HIM BE YOUR SERVANT.
AND WHOEVER DESIRES TO BE FIRST
AMONG YOU, LET HIM BE YOUR SLAVE.”

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7 CRAZY THINGS JESUS SAID

3) POWER OVER DEATH

(JOHN 11:25)

“THE ONE WHO BELIEVES IN ME WILL LIVE,
EVEN THOUGH THEY DIE.”

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7 CRAZY THINGS JESUS SAID

4) HE IS GOD

(JOHN 14:9)

“HE WHO HAS SEEN ME HAS SEEN THE FATHER(GOD).”

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7 CRAZY THINGS JESUS SAID

5) COMMISSIONED FOLLOWERS

(MATTHEW 28:19)

"THEREFORE GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS, BAPTIZING THEM IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT."

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6) EXCLUSIVE SALVATION

(JOHN 14:6)

"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, THE LIFE - NO ONE COMES TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME."

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7 CRAZY THINGS JESUS SAID

7) HE LOVES YOU

(JOHN 3:16)

“FOR GOD SO LOVES THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN SON – THAT WHOSOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT PERISH, BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE.”

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LIAR | LUNATIC | LORD

[C.S. LEWIS]

"A MAN WHO WAS MERELY A MAN AND SAID THE SORT OF THINGS JESUS SAID WOULD NOT BE A GREAT MORAL TEACHER. HE WOULD EITHER BE A LUNATIC – ON THE LEVEL WITH THE MAN WHO SAYS HE IS A POACHED EGG – OR ELSE HE WOULD BE THE DEVIL OF HELL. YOU MUST MAKE YOUR CHOICE. EITHER THIS MAN WAS, AND IS, THE SON OF GOD, OR ELSE A MADMAN OR SOMETHING WORSE."

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