

6.2 Jesus Christ's Importance Cannot Be Overstated

The Bible claims Jesus is “God” but regardless of the truthfulness of the Bible’s core message or whether Jesus is God or not; he has been the most influential person in history because the actions of his followers have directly led to every right we enjoy and virtually every technology that makes our life better (see Section 8.1).

But, if the Bible’s core message is true, Jesus also played the most vital parts in every stage of our reality because he:

- *Created the universe*
- *Saves mankind from the consequences of sin provided they believe in him*
- *Gave all mankind the free gift of immortality*
- *Receives the universe as his inheritance*
- *Is the only way to God the Father and is his gatekeeper*
- *Replaces the earth with a new and better world*
- *Judges all mankind and gives eternal rewards/punishments*
- *Conjoined the God and human natures together, so that some humans can share the divine nature he shares with the Father by “adoption” and become the “Children of God.”*

Also, one does not need to believe the whole Bible is inerrant or is the “Word of God” to appreciate its core message.

In fact, one can view the whole Bible as produced by men who were given glimpses of a fantastic message—and it is only that cosmology about Jesus that is really important—while being skeptical about everything else.

Given that the pieces of the core message fit together perfectly into a coherent tapestry; this isn’t a hard position to take for one who lives and breathes the modern world’s scientific worldview.¹

At the end of the day, it all comes down to choice. We can choose to follow Jesus Christ while also following the scientific process and maintaining strict intellectual consistency, or, we can dismiss him, his impact for good on the world, and subscribe to arguments that are actually incapable of disproving his credibility or are just logical fallacies.

¹ As mentioned above, one of my core competencies is in analyzing technical documents for the creation of correlative anthologies. My personal opinion is that, from a literary point of view, the NT writers (especially Paul) were actually very *poor* writers, whose writings display weak or even faulty logical arguments, terrible structure, unelaborated thoughts, and incomplete conceptual development. Not one of these “amateurs” would’ve been published today. And yet, this unpolished and unsophisticated authenticity contained a core message of a single cosmology that could only be seen when all NT writers are put together. It should not exist, and yet it does. It is an impossible achievement, but there it is.

There's nothing else that is empirical that even comes close to proving it is genuine Scripture and I cannot conceive of how any group of writers, much less a bunch of amateurs, could create the world's only unedited, frameless, correlative anthology.