

# LDS Jesus

## Progressed to godhood.

“Christ, the Word, the Firstborn, had, of course, attained unto the status of God-hood while yet in pre-existence.”

*What the Mormons Think of Christ* brochure “Published by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.”

That the LDS Jesus progressed to godhood is also consistent with the LDS teaching that the LDS God the Father (Elohim) was not always God, but had to himself progress to Godhood. The below references are specific to LDS teachings on their God the Father.

“. . . I am going to tell you how God came to be God. We have imagined and supposed that God was God from all eternity. I will refute that idea, and take away the veil, so that you may see.” Joseph Smith April 7, 1844 *History of the Church*, 6:302-317

“The doctrine that God was once a man and has progressed to become a God is unique to this church.” *Teachings of the Presidents of the Church Brigham Young* page 34.

## One of many Gods.

“. . . There never was a time when there were not Gods and worlds and when men were not passing through the same ordeals that we are now passing through. . . .”

*Search These Commandments* “Melchizedek Priesthood Personal Study Guide” 1984 “Published by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Salt Lake City, Utah” Page 153. (Quote from Brigham Young)

“*The Gods plan the creation of the earth and all life thereon — Their plans for the six days of creation are set forth.*” Chapter 4 heading *The Book of Abraham* in *The Pearl of Great Price*.

Note: This Chapter and the next repeatedly refer to “the Gods” (plural).

## All things not created by him.

Though the LDS Jesus is claimed to have created “worlds without number” (Moses 1:33), it must be remembered that the LDS Jesus was not always a God, but had to progress to that position (see above). Prior to him there existed an endless line of “Gods and worlds” (see above). These other beings would have lived on worlds created by previous Gods, and also created their own worlds prior to the LDS Jesus attaining his Godhood. Thus, all things were not created by him.

## Cannot save people in their sins.

“And I say unto you again that he cannot save them in their sins; for I cannot deny his word, and he hath said that no unclean thing can inherit the kingdom of heaven; therefore, how can ye be saved, except ye inherit the kingdom of heaven? Therefore, ye cannot be saved in your sins.”

*Book of Mormon* Alma 11:37(see also Chapter 11 heading “*Christ will not save people in their sins*”)