

## **Did Jesus have a Sin Nature?**

This age old question has recently and repeatedly surfaced throughout church history due to the scriptural ignorance that prevails in the body of Christ as it regards the incarnation (the dual nature) of Christ, and the unique characteristics of the atonement.

### **Are You Crazy?**

Due to pastors and teachers who know very little, if anything at all about the biblical concepts of creation, the fall, the sacrificial system, and the provision of redemption, there exist an amalgamation of erroneous beliefs in the modern church that are, at best, heretical. This means there are entire segments of the church that have no correct biblical idea of the very foundation of Christianity, which means that they have believed “another gospel”. This is alarming and catastrophic to the body of Christ and for those who would receive such as a means of salvation.

For one to think that Jesus was conceived in sin (to identify with man) and born with a sinful nature is a reflection of the gross spiritual and theological ignorance unparalleled. This leads people away from the simplicity of the gospel unto another gospel and means that many of the individuals who believe that Jesus had “sinful flesh” are deceived and will be lost if this heresy is not corrected, repented of, condemned, and renounced!

### **“Sinful Flesh”, I don’t think so!**

#### **We believe that Jesus was conceived and born without a sinful nature;**

1. Christ was the “seed of the Woman” not the man. Gen. 3:15 means he would not be born of the egg of the woman but by a seed that God would provide the women “her seed..” not egg “shall bruise thy head”. This meant Mary’s womb would only provide the Lord an incubator during the gestation period until His birth.
2. His conception was supernatural, not in the natural order, which means His birth would be a miracle Isa. 7:14 and Matt. 1: 21-23.
3. Jesus was not born under a broken law as all other men born of women (Ps. 51:5), He is separated from sinners Gal. 4:4-5, Heb. 7:26. If Jesus was born under the broken law as all other men are, then he was disqualified of being the Savior of the world and would stand in need of someone to redeem Him.
4. Jesus was God. God, who is spirit took on human nature that was perfect and sinless for the expressed purpose of condemning sin in the flesh Jn. 1:1, 14; 4:24; Rom. 8:3; Heb. 2:14; Phil 2:7.
5. Jesus was the fulfillment of the Pascal offering which had to be holy and without blame Ex. 12:3; Lev. 4:23; 1Pet. 1:18-21; Heb.4:15, which means He was set apart and without a sinful nature. This means throughout the redemption process from the incarnation to the Resurrection there was no point in time that Jesus was ever sinful.

6. Jesus had to become the last Adam to reverse the fall of the first Adam. This means he had to become the figure of the first Adam and be made the “Agent of Solidarity” of a new race. Rom. 5:12-19. The essence of Christ becoming a man was to pay the sin debt that was incurred by the first Adam, which would satisfy the claim of holy justice. Since God was unable to die, He had to become a man for the sole purpose of dying, but not just an ordinary man, which could not redeem by paying the price of giving His life, but a sinless, spotless, perfect man who would meet God’s requirement of being the substitute and representative man for all men who were in the first Adam. 1 Cor. 15:3, 22, 49; Heb. 9:14; 10:5, 2 Cor. 5:21 all teach that Christ became the “sin bearer” and because of His offering being accepted by God, He has the right to impute his perfect righteousness to every believing sinner in need of salvation (Rom. 1:4; Act 2:22, 36; 1 Cor. 15:45; Heb. 7:25; Rom. 8: 34). Jesus took away the first testament, having abolished it in “His flesh”, which was sinless Eph 2:15, and He condemned sin in His flesh Rom. 8:3, and who also established the New Testament in His flesh (Matt.26:26-28; Jn 6:53-56, Jn. 10:14, 1 Jn. 3:5, 1 Pet. 3:18) which all teach that “in Him there is no sin nature”.

## **Are You Smokin’ Something?**

The bible is replete with emphatic concepts of Christ from his incarnation to his exaltation as having no sin nature, sinful flesh or committing an act of sin during his birth, earthly life, death and resurrection, which is true of the sacrifices offered up in the Old Testament that were considered holy before, during and after being offered as a prototype of Christ the Lamb of God, who was the perfect sacrifice (Ex. 12: 3; Lev. 4).

## **Did You Inhale?**

Therefore we conclude that anyone who calls him or herself a proponent of such an idea (that Jesus’ physical nature was sinful in order to identify with humanity is an erroneous idea and has been rejected by the church fathers) is out in left field and has no biblical premise for such teaching. The dual nature of Christ can be explained as nothing short of a miracle that surpasses human reasoning; however the Bible has a logical and a theological assertion that is within reason and is based in the truth (Phil 2:6-11; 1 Tim 3:16). Mary’s womb only served as the incubator for God to assume an earthly identity in the person, Jesus Christ (Matt. 16: 16-18, 22-23), who was totally human and totally divine. This doctrine makes Christianity the most distinct in comparison of all world religions, which has no principles or ideas of an incarnation, a vicarious death, or a resurrection. This is real Christianity at its finest!

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