This is a question that not only confuses many today, but has perplexed generations for centuries even during Jesus' own time here on Earth.

In fact, one day Jesus Himself asked His disciples the same question:

> *Matthew 16:13-15*
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> - *NKJV:* When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"
> - *NIV:* When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

They answered:
Verse 14

> - Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets.

Then Jesus asked a more personal question:

> *Verse 15*
>
> • “But who do you say that I am?”

If Jesus were to ask you that question today, how would you answer?
You’d likely hear a variety of responses:

- “He is a prophet.”
- “A messenger of God.”
- “A good teacher.”
- “The Savior.”
- “God in the flesh.”

These answers reflect people’s perspectives but do they reflect God’s truth?

Imagine you’re standing with your boss in front of 1,000 people from different walks of life. You ask each one to describe your boss.

You might hear:

- “He’s my uncle.”
- “He’s my neighbor.”
- “He’s my chairman.”
- “He’s my brother-in-law.”
- “He’s my father.”
- “He’s a friend.”

None of them are necessarily wrong they’re simply describing your boss based on their relationship with him. But if you asked them to describe him in his official role, you’d expect them to say “He is the boss.”

Likewise, people can call Jesus many things: prophet, teacher, leader, Son of God. But what does God want us to know and declare about Jesus?

Peter’s Revelation

Matthew 16:16-18

- *NKJV:* Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”
- *NIV:* Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.”

Jesus responded:

Verse 17

- *“Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.”*

Verse 18

- *“And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.”*

The revelation Peter had.Jesus is the Christ was not from human reasoning but from God Himself. And this truth is the rock upon which Jesus builds His church.

What Does It Mean That Jesus Is “The Christ”?

The word “Christ” (Greek: *Christos*) means “The Anointed One” or “The Messiah.” It refers to the One specially chosen and anointed by God to redeem mankind.

So when we declare Jesus as “the Christ,” we are acknowledging:

- He is the Savior of the world.
- He is God’s Son, sent to rescue us from sin and death.
- He is the only way to the Father.

> *John 14:6*
>
> - *NKJV:* “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.”
> - *NIV:* “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes

> to the Father except through me.

So, Who Is Jesus to You?

Now that you've seen the truth from Scripture, the question returns to you:

Who is Jesus to you?

He is the Christ the Savior of the world. If you know Him this way, and receive Him personally, He will redeem your life and give you eternal hope.

No matter how many titles or descriptions people may give Him, the most powerful, heaven-backed confession is:

> *JESUS IS THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD.*

And if you accept Him as such, Satan will hit a rock you will be

firmly established, and your ticket to eternal life will be in your hands.

In conclusion

Do not struggle trying to define Jesus based on worldly opinions. Let the Word of God reveal Him to you.

Believe in Him, surrender to Him, and you will live not just for this life, but for eternity.

Be blessed.

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