

**How Human Was Jesus?
Vintage Jesus, Week 2
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*“The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” – which means, “God with us.” –
Matthew 1:23*

Is Jesus God or a man?

1 Timothy 2:5

Jesus as a baby & child

Jesus clearly appears to be a regular human being:

- Born of a woman (Galatians 4:4)
- Had a normal body of flesh and bones (Luke 24:39)
- Grew up as a boy (Luke 2:52)
- Had a family (Matthew 13:54-58; 1 Corinthians 9:5)
- Obeyed his parents (Luke 2:51)
- Worshipped God (Luke 4:16) and prayed (Mark 1:35; 6:46)
- Worked as a carpenter (Mark 6:3)
- Got hungry (Matthew 4:2; 21:18) and thirsty (John 4:7; 19:28)
- Asked for information (Mark 9:16-21; John 11:34; 18:34)
- Was stressed (John 13:21)
- Was astonished (Mark 6:6; Luke 7:9)
- Was happy (Luke 10:21-24; John 15:11; 17:13; Hebrews 12:2, 22)
- Told jokes (Matthew 7:3-4, 6; 23:24; Mark 4:21)
- Had compassion (Mark 1:41; Luke 7:13)
- Had male and female friends He loved (John 11:3-5)
- Gave encouraging compliments (Mark 12:41-44)
- Loved children (Matthew 19:13-15)
- Celebrated holidays (Luke 2:41)
- Went to parties (Matthew 11:19)
- Loved His mom (John 19:26-27)

One of the most astonishing things about Jesus is that, as God, He actually chose to come into our fallen, sick, twisted, unjust, evil, cruel, painful world and be with us, to suffer like us and for us. Many painful examples of this can be found in the Bible.

During His life, **Jesus was:**

- Tempted (Matthew 4:1-10)
- Poor (2 Corinthians 8:9)
- Ripped off (John 12:6)
- Unable to pay taxes (Matthew 17:27)
- Homeless (Matthew 8:20)
- The subject of lies and vicious rumors (Matthew 26:57-60)
- Physically abused (Matthew 26:67-68)
- Mocked and spit on (Matthew 27:27-31)
- Lonely (Mark 14:32-34; 15:34)
- Deeply sorrowed (Matthew 26:37)
- Exhausted (Matthew 8:24)
- Sad to the point of weeping (Luke 19:41; John 11:35)
- Abandoned by friends in times of crisis (Matthew 26:36-46)
- Betrayed by a close friend (Matthew 26:47-50)
- Denied by friends, who turned their backs on Him (Matthew 26:69-75)
- Not supported by His family (John 7:5)

And He:

- Did not have all His prayers answered as He hoped (Matthew 26:42)
- Bled (Luke 22:44; John 19:34)
- Died (Luke 23:46)
- Forgave those who destroyed Him (Luke 23:34)