

There Is Only One Saviour and Redeemer

You shall judge for yourself. If the prophets of the Old Testament announce, that Jehovah the Creator of heaven and earth is the only Saviour and Redeemer of mankind; and if the evangelists of the New Testament unanimously declare, that Jesus Christ is actually that Saviour and Redeemer; then it follows, that Jehovah and Jesus Christ are one and the same Being; since no one can be entitled to the exclusive prerogatives of the Creator, but the Supreme God himself, who “will not give his glory to another.”

Isa. xlii. 8. The language of the prophet Isaiah is as follows: “Thus saith Jehovah that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not; for I have *redeemed* thee. I am Jehovah thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy *Saviour*.”

I, even I, am Jehovah, and beside me there is no *Saviour*,” Isa. xliii. 1, 3, 11. “I Jehovah am thy *Saviour*, and thy *Redeemer*, the Mighty One of Jacob,” Isa. xlix. 26. The same is asserted in various other parts of the prophets, and in the Psalms of David.

It is also expressly stated, that the Lord God would come with a strong hand, and feed his flock like a shepherd,” Isa. xl. 10, 11; that he would make his appearance in the world as a Man, be born as a Child, known as a Son, and yet entitled to be called “the *Mighty God*, the *Everlasting Father*, the Prince of peace, ”chap. ix. 6.

In confirmation of these prophecies, and others of similar import, the four evangelists testify, that they all had their full accomplishment in the Person of Jesus Christ.

Matthew calls him "*Emmanuel*, which being interpreted is God with us," chap. i. 23. Mark says, that John the Baptist, the forerunner of Jesus, was "the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of *the Lord*," that is, of *Jehovah*, as expressed by the prophet Isaiah, chap. xl. 3. The same is said by all the other evangelists.

Luke states, that "the *Lord God of Israel* had visited and *redeemed* his people," chap. i. 68. And John declares, that "the Word, which was with God, and *was God*, was made *Flesh*," that is a *Man*, chap. i. 1, 14; that whoever "knew or saw Jesus, at the same time knew and saw *the Father also*," chap. viii. 19; chap. xiv. 7 to 9; that "*all things* belonging to the Father," that is, *all the divine attributes*, "were the property of Jesus," chap. xvi. 15; that he is "Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last, who is, and who was, and who is to come, the *Almighty*," Rev. i. 8, 11.

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