

Is Jesus God?

John 10:22–39



Introduction

- “When Jesus came, the world knew something was different about him” (Shannon Scott).
- Nicodemus said, “Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him” (John 3:2 NASB).
- But Jesus was not merely a teacher/prophet!
- Jesus accomplished **DIVINE DEEDS** that demonstrate that he is (the Son of) God (John 10:22–39).

Divine Deeds

- *Creation.* The fact that Jesus created the cosmos shows that he is God, for God alone is the creator (Gen 1:1; Isa 44:24; John 1:1–3, 10–11; Col 1:15–16; Heb 1:2).

“Yahweh is the only one who participated in creation [Isa 44:24]; Christ is one who participated in creation [John 1:3]; therefore, Christ is Yahweh” (Francis Beckwith).

The structure of Heb 1 underscores that Jesus is the Creator:
vv. 1–2a (son) = v. 5 / v. 2b (heir) = vv. 6–9 / vv. 2c–3a
(creator) = vv. 10–12 / v. 3b (king) = v. 13.

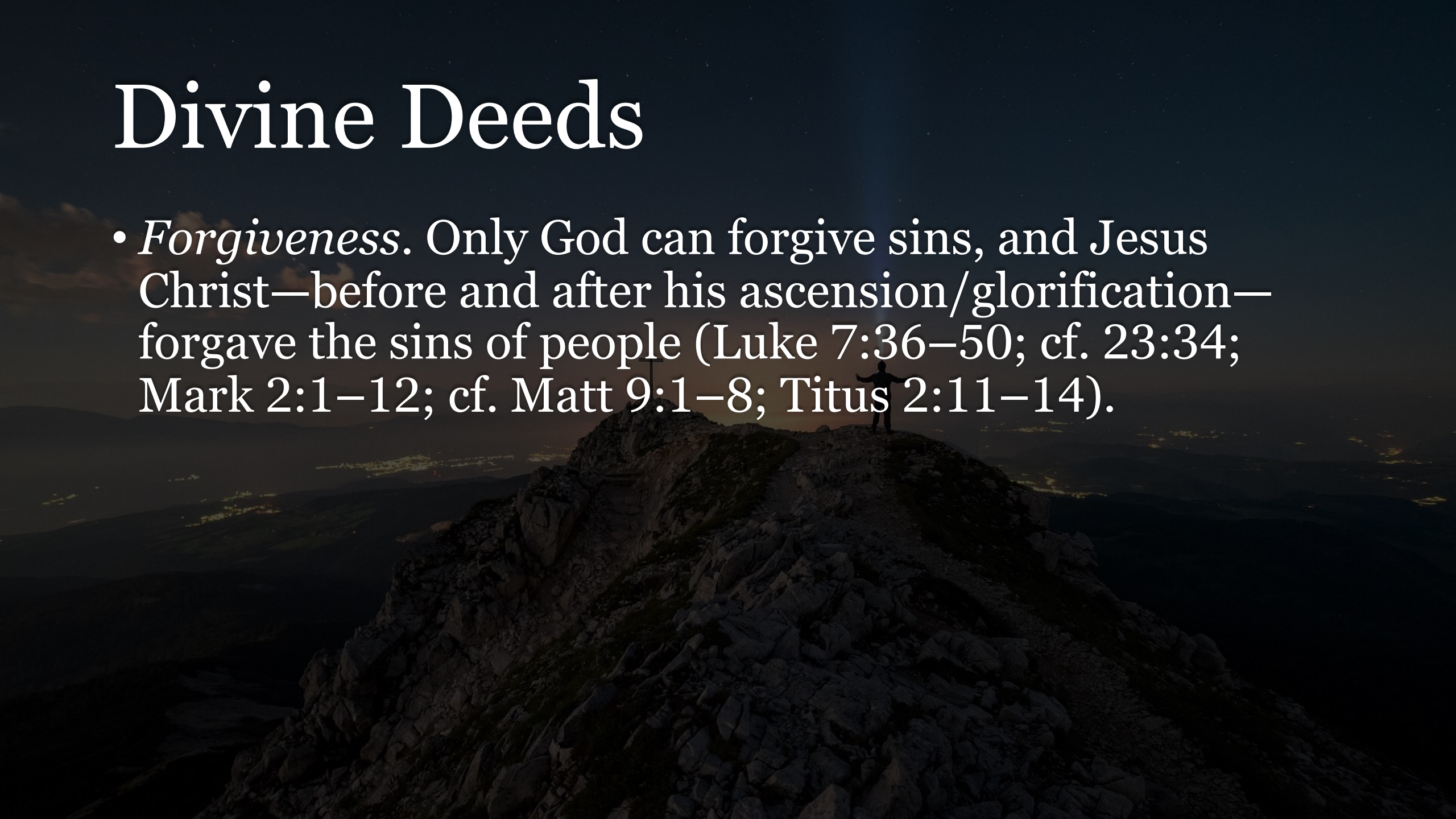
Divine Deeds

- *Providence.* Jesus not only created but also sustains the universe, an activity which Scripture directly associates with God (Acts 17:24–28; Ps 104:24–30; Col 1:15–17; 1 Cor 8:5–6; Heb 1:3; cf. miracles = John 10:22–39).
- *Judgment.* Our final judge is God; the Bible affirms that Jesus is that judge (Matt 25:31–46; John 5:19–30; cf. vv. 17–18; Acts 17:30–31; 2 Cor 5:9–11; cf. Ps 2:7–12).

“This silly world ... thinks it is finished with Jesus Christ. But they haven’t even started with him yet” (Leonard Ravenhill).

Divine Deeds

- *Forgiveness.* Only God can forgive sins, and Jesus Christ—before and after his ascension/glorification—forgave the sins of people (Luke 7:36–50; cf. 23:34; Mark 2:1–12; cf. Matt 9:1–8; Titus 2:11–14).



Conclusion

- Jesus proves that he is God by having accomplished and accomplishing DIVINE DEEDS.
 - Jesus created everything. *Will we stand in awe of him?*
 - Jesus sustains everything. *Will we give thanks to him?*
 - Jesus will judge everyone. *Will we aim to please him?*
 - Jesus can forgive us. *Will we come to him?*
- Jesus is God. He accepted divine **HONORS**, possessed divine **ATTRIBUTES**, wore divine **NAMES**, and accomplished divine **DEEDS**.