

ONLY GOD CAN DO WHAT GOD DOES

Matthew 28:18-20 John 3:25-36

Introduction: There is no argument that "only God can do what God does." Therefore that is a problem for the Islamic and Jewish faiths, just to name two of the many world faiths, for the Christian faith believes that Jesus is God in the flesh, a human being. The Son of Mary cannot be anything more than an ordinary son with extraordinary abilities they say. Who is right? Is what Muslims teach about Jesus right? Is what the Jews teach about Jesus right? Or is the Bible of the Christian faith right? Just what does the Bible say about Jesus doing the same things that God does?

1. Only God has the power to forgive sins: *"...when Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, 'Son, your sins are forgiven you.'"*
"...and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."
2. Only God has the power over life and death: *"...for as the Father raises the dead and gives life to them, even the Son gives life to whom He will."*
"...I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world."
3. Only God has the power over Evil Spirits and sickness: *"...and Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the Kingdom and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people."*
"...and when He had called unto Him his 12 disciples, He gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease."
4. Only God rules and judges people: *"...for the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels and then He will reward each according to his works."*
5. Only God can let anyone into Heaven: *"...Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, the truth, and the life, No one comes to the Father except through me.'"*
6. Only God created the universe: *"...all things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men."*
"...and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the Church to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places."
7. Only God is Lord: *"...therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ."*
8. Only God is Yahweh: *"...and she (Mary) shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name Jesus, for He shall save His people from their sins."*
- "Jesus" is Greek for the Hebrew name "Yahoshua" meaning "Savior." Yahweh means "Savior."

9. Only God is Savior of the world: ***"...for God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life."***
 - Angels proclaimed: "A Savior is born."
 - Jesus, Himself said: ***"...For the Son of Man has come to save that which was lost."***
"...then they said to the woman, 'Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world.'"
10. Only God has power over nature: ***"...then He arose and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Peace be still!'" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm."***
11. Only God can give Holiness: ***"...for He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."***
 - ***"...therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation, old things are passed away; behold all things have become new."***
12. Only God knows all things: ***"...for you have had five husbands and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly..."***
 - Jesus showed Peter where to fish.
 - Jesus told the man on the cross, ***"...today you will be with me in paradise..."***
 - Jesus often foretold his coming death, resurrection, and return.
13. Only God can deliver from all evils:
 - Jesus healed the sick, cast out demons, forgave sin and raised the dead.
14. Only God can have Godly compassion: ***"...and when Jesus went out, He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them and healed their sick."***
15. Only God can give eternal life: ***"...and as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up that whosoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son in the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."***
16. Only God can redeem anybody: ***"...for this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins."***
"...in Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace."

CONCLUSION:

1. Only God can do what God does!
2. Jesus is God in the flesh. and it seems that nobody likes it but God, Jesus and the Church.
3. There is no way to God except through God, that is God in the Flesh, Jesus Christ.