

Why Jesus Didn't Qualify

Notice that this topic was not called - Why the Jews "rejected" Jesus.

Written by an Orthodox Jew, who does not write the name of Yahuwah or even God.

1) Christians/Hebrew-Christians claim that the Jews "rejected" Jesus!

They say that we Jews were too stubborn, stiff-necked and that we were blinded to know the truth.

While claiming that Jesus came to the Jew first and that the Jews (for the most part) rejected him, the stage is set for Paul. By the way, many people today feel that it was actually Paul, not Jesus who was responsible for what we know today as Christianity.

** Recently I interviewed a former "Jewish Believer in Jesus" and he put it to me this way- "When the Jews did not accept Jesus, Paul then took the show on the road!" To the Pagans and the Gentiles.

* What actually happened is that the Jews **did not** REJECT Jesus. Like so many others before and after Jesus who were claiming to be Messiah, Jesus simply **DID NOT QUALIFY!**

2) Christians and the "Hebrew-Christian" claim: that Jews will not be able to prove who they believe is the real Messiah since the Temple was destroyed along with all authentic genealogies respecting the twelve tribes of Israel have been lost.

A Rabbi who I shared this with said: "When a likely candidate for the position of "Messiah" shows up, **we won't have to ask him** for a genealogical blood test to find out if he is the messiah or not! Just stop and ask yourself, "**What are the criteria for the Messiah? What is he supposed to accomplish?**"

- a) Build the 3rd Temple (Ezekiel 37:26-28)
- b) Bring all the Jews back to Israel (Isaiah 43:5-6)
- c) World Peace (Isaiah 2:4)
- d) Universal Knowledge of YHWH (the King of Israel) (Isaiah 11:9, Jeremiah 31:33)

If he accomplishes this, then we will know that he is from the lineage of David. If he does not accomplish the above, then even if he could prove that he is of the house of David, he is certainly no more qualified to be the Messiah than any other son of David.

Also bear in mind that nowhere in the bible does it say that you have to "*believe*" in the messiah when he comes. When the Third Holy Temple will be built, and world peace will prevail over the earth it will be *so obvious* that the messianic age is here that one won't have to take anybody's word for it, *you can see it for yourself.*"

3) Christians interpret the bible differently as to how the messiah will be recognized. (They use the following to prove that Jesus was the messiah)

- However these descriptions do not match up with what G-d told the Jews in the Jewish bible as ways to recognize the messiah!
- In addition the list below are examples of how Christianity has used verses in the Jewish bible (the Old Testament as they call it), taken them out of context or mistranslated them to paint the picture of the person who fits their description perfectly- Jesus.

- For full explanations as to why the items listed below have been mistranslated or have been taken out of context - Go to the Web Site of www.jewsforjudaism.org

You will be convinced why Jews object so strongly to others using our bible (the Jewish bible) to tell us that *they* have the truth and that *we* don't.

Finally you will clearly see that because of such mistranslated verses along with those taken out of context by Christians and "Hebrew-Christians" why Jesus didn't qualify.

Some of the biblical verses **Christians** use to claim Jesus was the predicted Messiah of the "Old Testament" (as they call it).

- He will be born of a woman ~ **Genesis 3:15**
- He will be a descendant of Abraham ~ **Genesis 12:1-3**
- From the Tribe of Judah ~ **Genesis 49:10**
- From the House of David ~ **2 Samuel 7:12-13**
- **He will be Born of a Virgin ~ Isaiah 7:14**
- He will be born in Bethlehem ~ **Micah 5:2** (5:1 in Hebrew)
- He will be the Son of G-D ~ **Psalms 2:7**
- He will be G-d himself (I, a Jew, do not use "o") ~ **Isaiah 9:6-7** (9:5-6 in Hebrew)
- Come at a specific time ~ **Daniel 9:24-26**
- He will be a Prophet like Moses ~ **Deuteronomy 18:15**
- He will come Humbly ~ **Zechariah 9:9**
- He will be Crucified ~ **Psalm 22**
- He will be a Suffering Servant ~ **Isaiah 53**
- Israel will Mourn for him ~ **Zechariah 12:10**
- He will be a prophet like Moses ~ **Deuteronomy 18:15,18**
- Be "cut off, but not for himself" ~ **Dan 9:24-26**

Christians claim that there is no person in history that fits this description more perfectly than Jesus.

My comments:

Sorry, you can believe what ever you want to believe. **However, don't use our book and rewrite the story, then tell us that we are too stiff necked and blinded to see the truth.** We, as you do in your book, go by what G-D's word tells us to do. **The two books do not match up.** You are entitled to yours and your belief we are entitled to our belief and ours. That is why Jesus did not qualify or others for that matter according to what G-d said in the Jewish bible.

4) Most people don't even realize that the most question which separates Judaism and Christianity ISN'T WHETHER JESUS WAS THE MESSIAH OR NOT!

Faith and **Law** are the major differences!

The obligation in Judaism is to follow G-D's statutes and His laws.

Judaism- man is judged by his *deeds*, not by his *faith*.

In synagogue, you will find that the rabbi's sermon usually will stress deeds. Community, social involvement or the observance of the Sabbath etc.

You will not hear a Rabbi's sermon on salvation through faith.

Christianity replaced biblical law with faith as its central theme/demand.

The person responsible for this was not Jesus, *it was Paul*.

From what the Christian bible tells us, Jesus says that he did not come to abolish the Law and warns people about violating Jewish Law.

Paul says:

- All the laws are to be followed however, if you break one you are cursed. ~ Read **Galatians 3:10**
- Since man is not perfect, he will break at least one of the laws. ~ Read **Galatians 3:21-2**
- Man therefore is cursed by the Law. ~ Read **Galatians 3:10**
- Only through belief in Jesus can man be redeemed from the curse of the Law. ~ Read **Galatians 3:10**
- "We conclude that man is put right with G-d only through faith and not by doing what the law commands" ~ (**Romans 3:28**)

HOWEVER:

Please take the time to read **Deuteronomy 27:26** It is referring to the eleven laws listed in **Deuteronomy 27:15-25**

Paul finds it necessary to misunderstand or **intentionally change** it's meaning to -anyone who violates any law in the entire Torah will be **eternally** cursed.

The Jewish bible speaks of man not being perfect and that **all man has to do when he sins is to repent and return to the observance of the law and be restored to G-D's grace. Obviously, man is not eternally cursed!**

G-d does not expect you to be perfect, just to honestly do your best.

RE: The Temple

During the time of the Temple the bringing of a sacrifice was part of the process of repentance. (Since the destruction of the Temple this step is not necessary). OF COURSE CHRISTIANS/ "HEBREW-CHRISTIANS" SAY SINCE THERE IS NO TEMPLE STANDING HOW CAN YOU REPENT FOR YOUR SINS?

- The answer is found in - **Hosea 14:3**
Predicting that there will come a time when the Temple will no longer be standing, all man has to do is ***"turn to the Lord and say to him forgive all iniquity and receive us graciously, so we will offer the prayers of our lips instead of calves."***
- I ask you, how are we Jews stuck since we don't have a standing Temple?
Answer- *we are not!*
- Where does it say in any of this: that the Messiah is to appear on earth and die for the sins of the world.
Answer- *It does not appear!*
*In addition, please read **Proverbs 21:3** [To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.]

5) The Second Coming.

This concept is totally foreign to the Tanakh.

Because Jesus did not fulfill any messianic prophecies while he appeared on earth how do Christians/Hebrew-Christians get around this?

Answer - "**The Second Coming**".

Problem- the Jewish bible never mentions a Second Coming of the messiah.

That is why the Jews said no to Jesus, and also to [Bar Kochba](#) (who Rabbi Akiva believed was the messiah until the Roman killed Bar Kochba), along with anyone else in who comes along and does not fulfill the "Job Description" of Messiah that G -D provided for us!

6) Does Josephus (the historian of Jews in Roman times) help us any in the matter of Jesus?

Answer- **NO**

We have come to learn that references that Josephus allegedly made to Jesus were forgeries that were added some 300 years after the time of Jesus and Josephus.

7) The problem with his genealogy.

One Counter-missionary I spoke with said this alone was the biggest factor in his list of why Jesus did not qualify as the Jewish Messiah.

Even if Jesus had accomplished all that the prophets spoke of his genealogy alone would disqualify him as being Messiah! The Messiah must be a **descendent** of King David.

A) Christians say: this can be done by using Joseph's lineage.

- However Christianity claim to Jesus being born of Mary/The Virgin Birth removes Joseph from the picture.
- Christians then say: that Joseph adopted Jesus and passed on his lineage by way of adoption!
- There is NO Biblical basis to this concept of passing on ones line through adoption.

Because Joseph descended from **Jeconiah**, he then falls under the curse of that King! Which means that none of his (**Jeconiah's**) descendants could ever sit as King upon the throne of David (**Jeremiah 22:30; 36:30**)

B) Some will trace Jesus back to King David using Mary's lineage. (Third chapter of **Luke**)

- **Problem:** the third chapter of Luke traces **Joseph's** genealogy not Mary's.
- **Problem:** even if Mary's line could somehow be traced back to King David- **tribal affiliation** goes only through the **father**, not the mother. **Numbers 1:18; Ezra 2:59**
- **Problem,** if the family line *could* go through the mother, Mary *still* does not qualify as being from a legitimate Messianic family, because the Messiah *must* be a descendent of David **THROUGH his son Solomon.** (**II Samuel 7:14; I Chronicles 17:11-14, 22:9-10, 28:4-6**)

But **Luke** goes through David's son **Nathan**, not **Solomon**!

Another issue is that of Luke *and* Matthew listing both Shaeltiel and Zerubbabel as descendants from "the cursed" **Jeconiah**. If Mary did descend from them, this would not be of any help, because it would have prevented Jesus from being any sort of King over Israel.

8) Current Theological Writing

Jesus as an Historical Jew
Arnold Jacob Wolf

He [*Wolf*] mentions a lecture delivered at the University of Arizona in **1995** by Susannah Heschel, "Transforming Jesus from Jew to Aryan: Protestant Theologians in Nazi Germany."

Heschel, he explains, shows that some of the most important New Testament scholars in Germany actually tried to prove that Jesus was racially not "**Semitic**" and also ideologically the bitter enemy of the "late" Judaism in its decadent form of the 1st century.

How did they go about trying to prove this? By manipulating texts, transforming parables and reinterpreting the gospels to make them fit the **Nazi** view of a parasitic and dangerous religion.

Wolf comments that "**No example could be imagined that proves more firmly that the Jesus we want is the Jesus we will get.**"

At the time of this article Mr. Wolf was a contributing editor and Rabbi of K.A.M. Isaiah Israel Congregation in Chicago.

In closing I would like to say - until the "Seeking Jew" or the "Hebrew-Christian" is willing to accept the fact that there ARE ANSWERS available to the claims made by Christian Missionaries, they will stay stuck right where they are!

To the "Hebrew-Christian" that falls under the category of - "***Don't confuse me with the facts,***" we want you to come home to Judaism, so please give this some serious thought!

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יהוה

The name of our Creator is made up of four, Hebrew **VOWELS, Y H W H יהוה**
 (source: Flavius Josephus - *Antiquities of the Jews*)

The letter ה (h) when used as a vowel, usually has the "ah," "ha," or the "huh" sound. The ה is the *definite* article, or **THE, SPECIFIC, to the EXCLUSION of ALL others.**

This is exemplified in showing the difference between the word "eretz," meaning land, and the words "ha Eretz," meaning **THE Land of Israel, to the exclusion of all others.**

In Hebrew, the letters י (y) and ו (v)(w) are used interchangeably, and when located in the first, second, or third position in a word, indicate the tense of the word, either past, future, or continuing.

Being placed in the first and third positions, the י and ו indicate that the name is **both past and future,** or, - *Eternal.*

The ה preceding **both** the י and the ו means that the name is specifically, to the exclusion of all others, **both past and future,** or **THE Eternal.**

Furthermore, being *singular,* and *being found twice,* the ה would also allow the addition of the word, **ONE,** as a descriptor.

The Name, **YHWH,** could then be logically rendered as **The Eternal ONE,** because **He** has eternal existence, **to the exclusion of all others.**

It is pronounced in one, long breath, like the wind, with the accent on the middle syllable. .

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