



# **“CONTROVERSIAL CLAIMS OF CHRIST”**

**John 6:41-46**

## John 6:41-42

41 The Jews then complained about Him, because He said, "I am the bread which came down from heaven." 42 And they said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that He says, 'I have come down from heaven'?"



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## John 6:43-44

<sup>43</sup> Jesus therefore answered and said to them, “Do not murmur among yourselves. <sup>44</sup> No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.

## **John 6:45-46**

<sup>45</sup> It is written in the prophets,  
'And they shall all be taught by  
God.' Therefore everyone who  
has heard and learned from the  
Father comes to Me. <sup>46</sup> Not that  
anyone has seen the Father,  
except He who is from God; He  
has seen the Father.

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## **John 6:41b**

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**Crowd’s Response:**

- **Dissatisfaction with Jesus’ claim**





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## **John 6:41a**

The Jews then complained  
about Him, ...

## John 6:32-33

<sup>32</sup> Then Jesus said to them,  
“Most assuredly, I say to you,  
Moses did not give you the  
bread from heaven, but My  
Father gives you the true bread  
from heaven. <sup>33</sup> For the bread  
of God is He who comes down  
from heaven and gives life to  
the world.”



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**Controversial Claim:**  
**Christ’s heavenly origin**

**Crowd’s Response:**

- **Dissatisfaction with Jesus’ claim**
- **Doubt of Jesus’ claim**



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## John 6:42

And they said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How is it then that He says, ‘I have come down from heaven’?”.

## Matthew 13:54-55

<sup>54</sup> When He had come to His own country, He taught them in their synagogue, so that they were astonished and said, “Where did this Man get this wisdom and these mighty works?”

<sup>55</sup> Is this not the carpenter’s son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas?



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## **Matthew 13:56**

And His sisters, are they not all with us? Where then did this Man get all these things?”



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**Christ's Answer:**



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## **Christ’s Answer:**

- **God draws men to Christ**





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## **John 6:44**

No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.



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## **John 12:32**

And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself.”



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## Christ's Answer:

- God draws men to Christ
- **God's Word points to Christ**



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## John 6:45

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‘And they shall all be taught  
by God.’ Therefore everyone  
who has heard and learned  
from the Father comes to Me.



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## John 8:28

Then Jesus said to them, “When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things.



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## Christ's Answer:

- God draws men to Christ
- God's Word points to Christ
- **Mortal man cannot see God**



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## **John 6:46a**

Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God; ...



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## **Exodus 33:20**

But He said, “You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live.”





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## **Christ's Answer:**

- God draws men to Christ
- God's Word points to Christ
- Mortal man cannot see God
- **Jesus has seen the Father**



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## **John 6:46**

Not that anyone has seen the Father, except He who is from God; He has seen the Father.

## **Philippians 2:5-7**

<sup>5</sup> Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, <sup>7</sup> but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

## Philippians 2:8-9

8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

9 Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

## **Philippians 2:10-11**

<sup>10</sup> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



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**Remember:**

***Jesus is from above –***

***He is Lord!***