“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’?”
John 6:43-44

43 Jesus therefore answered and said to them, “Do not murmur among yourselves. 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.
John 6:45-46

45 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. 46 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

... because He said, “I am the bread which came down from heaven.”.
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Controversial Claim: Christ’s heavenly origin

Crowd’s Response:
• Dissatisfaction with Jesus’ claim
John 6:41a
The Jews then complained about Him, ...
John 6:32-33

32 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. 33 For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.”
Controversial Claim: Christ’s heavenly origin

Crowd’s Response:
• Dissatisfaction with Jesus’ claim
• Doubt of Jesus’ claim
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

54 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?

55 Is this not the carpenter’s son? Is not His mother called Mary? And His brothers James, Joses, Simon, and Judas?
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
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.
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
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.
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; ...
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

5 Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 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
10 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, 11 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!