

The Ology Islands #8



Unraveling The Confusing Part

Captain's Log: We are still on our second island. We are now on the Eastern shore on Christos Island. This island has two lighthouses: one is on the east side of the island, and one is on the west side. The rocky coasts protect the lush green interior. The Island is packed with Ism Pirates. They are grouped into similar belief groups.

Today we will discover what the Bible says about Jesus Christ in response to Him being The Word of God. The Pirates that we will battle are the Mohammedism/ Islam Pirates. These pirates acknowledge that Jesus is an important man in God's plan. They believe that He was born of a **virgin**, that He was the promised Jewish **Messiah**, and that He **performed miracles**. They do not believe that He was crucified. Instead, they believe that He was taken up to heaven in a rapture-like event. [What is Islam's view of Jesus? \(islamicity.org\)](http://islamicity.org)

They believe that He was merely a prophet who was sent from God.

Christians: please finish this verse from John 1:6 "There came a man sent from God and his name was _____."



Roll Call/Treasure Hunt:

1. Our belief in The Word **creating** all things is crucial in understanding who Jesus Christ is.

Hebrews 1:3 By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible. (BSB)

John 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was with God in the beginning. ³Through Him all things were made, and without Him nothing was made that has been made. (BSB)

2. Our belief that Jesus Christ is of the same **essence** as the Father is also crucial in understanding who He is.

Philippians 2:5-11 ⁵Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷but emptied Himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to death— even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave Him the name above all names,

¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (BSB)

3. The Messiah **predicted** in the Old Testament was to be more than just a man sent from God.

Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government will be upon His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (BSB)



Battle With Ism Pirates: We must make it clear that **no person** is our enemy. Anyone who doesn't believe that Jesus is the Word of God who became flesh is our **mission field**, not an adversary. We must try to win the person over to Jesus Christ. A good place to start with Muslims is their belief that Jesus is the Messiah. Then we can show how the uncreated God (their Allah) would be different from God at work in linear sequential creation.



Set Course: Next week we continue to set free the eastern coast of the island of Christos.