

## Matthew 22:41-46 **Whose son is Messiah (the Christ)?**

41 While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, 42 saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?"

They said to Him, "The Son of David."

43 He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying:

44 "The LORD said to my Lord,  
"Sit at My right hand,  
Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" '?"

45 "If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son?" 46 And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore. NKJV

### Facts Revealed:

- ✚ Jesus was in the Temple where He had been challenged by the Chief Priests, Elders, Pharisees, Scribes, Sadducees, and Lawyers in their vain attempt to trap Him in His teaching, so they could find a reason to arrest Him and put Him to death. [Matthew 21:23 through 22:40]
- ✚ Jesus took advantage of the fact that they were gathered together, and asked them a question they could not answer, which ended the continual attempts at trapping Him in His teachings. [Matthew 22:41, Mark 12:35]
  - ✧ "What do you think about the Christ (Messiah)? Whose Son is He?" [Matthew 22:42, Mark 12:35, Luke 20:41]
  - ✧ The Jews are still looking for Messiah Ben David, so they answered, "The Son of David."
  - ✧ This is based on the promises of God. [Psalm 89:3-4, Isaiah 55:1-3, Jeremiah 33:19-22, 25-26, Ezekiel 34:20-24, 37:23-28, Luke 1:68-75]
- ✚ Jesus responded with the question they could not answer: "How then does David in the Spirit call Him Adoney ('Lord,') saying: 'Yehowah (The LORD) said to Adoney (my Lord), "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" '?" [Psalm 110:1-2] "If David then calls Him Adoney ('Lord,') how is He his Son?" [Matthew 22:43-45, Mark 12:35-37, Luke 20:42-44]
  - ✧ Jesus declared that David was speaking in the Spirit (Holy Spirit) when he uttered these words of prophecy.
  - ✧ The only way that Jesus would be called Adoney by David, is because David knew that Jesus was superior to David, being God the Word from before the creation of the world.
  - ✧ This knowledge was revealed to David by the Holy Spirit,
  - ✧ The part of Jesus that was descended from David was the body God prepared to dwell in that would be mortal and could die for the sins of the world. [Psalm 40:6-8, Hebrews 10:5-7]
  - ✧ God can not die, so He needed to become a man in order to provide the Perfect Sacrifice that would suffice for the atonement of the sinners of the world. [John 1:1-5, 14-18, 29]
  - ✧ The common people heard Jesus gladly. [Mark 12:37]
  - ✧ And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore. [Matthew 22:46]