

Question: Why did Jesus come?

While Jesus was here on earth, He accomplished many missions but His main purpose is stated in John 3:13-18, “No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God’s one and only Son.”

Here are other verses defining why Jesus came which all stem from saving man from sin:

Jesus came to fulfill the Law - Matthew 5:17 “Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them.”

He came to serve - Romans 15:8 “For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God’s truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed.” (Mark 10:45, Matthew 20:28, Hebrews 10:9).

He has come to set the world on fire and to help us see (to give us a desire for God’s will) - John 9:39 “Jesus said, “For judgment I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those who see will become blind.” (Luke 12:49, Matthew 3:11-12, John 1:29, John 1:35, Leviticus 16:20-22, Isaiah 53:6, II Corinthians 5:21, Matthew 10:34-36).

He came to be King - John 18:37 “Therefore Pilate said to Him, ‘So You are a king?’ Jesus answered, ‘You say correctly that I am a king. For this I have been born, and for this I have come into the world.’”

He came to destroy the devil - 1 John 3:8 “The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.” (Hebrews 2:14).

He came to save us from sin - Luke 19:10 “For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.” (Ephesians 2:13-15, Matthew 18:11, John 10:10, 1 Timothy 1:15, Hebrews 9:26, I John 3:5, I Peter 2:24, Hebrews 9:28).

Jesus came to earth to save people from their own sin. Jesus was created without sin to be both fully man. The ten commandments showed us our sin; Jesus in his perfection showed us our sin. Take a look at Luke 5:32, “I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.” He came to show us the way. “I am the way the truth and the light. Nobody comes to the Father except through me,” John 14:6. Jesus came to save us from the danger of eternal life outside the presence of God.

Hebrews chapter ten perfectly states why Jesus is here, “Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—I have come to do your will, my God.’” An offering has always had to be made to correct a wrong. Before Jesus the offering was the blood of an animal, but their blood was only strong enough to cover one sin at a time. God wanted to save us from all sin because of His love for us. He created an offering that could cover all sin for all people.