# The Deity of Jesus Robert C. Newman

Comparing OT passages about Yahweh with NT passages about Jesus:

Yahweh	Jesus	Characteristic
Isa 44:6, 48:12	Rev 1:8; 22:12-16	First & Last
Isa 43:11; 45:21	Luke 2:11	Savior alone
Isa 43:10	John 3:16	Faith in
Ex 15:18	Luke 1:33	Eternal reign
Psalm 27:1	John 8:12	Divine Light
Mal 3:6	Heb 13:8	Always the same
Isa 45:23	Php 2:11	Every knee, tongue
Isa 43:10	Rev 1:8	Eternal One
Psalm 50:6	John 5:22-23	Judge
Ex 34:14	John 9:38	Worship
Psalm 89:8-9	Mark 4:41	Dominion over sea

#### First & Last:

# Yahweh:

Isa 44:6 (NIV) "This is what the LORD says – Israel's King and Redeemer, the LORD Almighty: I am the first and I am the last; apart from me there is no God.

Isa 48:12 (NIV) "Listen to me, O Jacob, Israel, whom I have called: I am he; I am the first and I am the last.

#### Jesus:

Rev 1:8 (NIV) "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

Rev 22:12 (NASU) "Behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward [is] with Me, to render to every man according to what he has done. 13 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." 14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter by the gates into the city. 15 Outside are the dogs and the sorcerers and the immoral persons and the murderers and the idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices lying. 16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

#### **Savior Alone:**

#### Yahweh:

Isa 43:11 (NIV) I, even I, am the LORD, and apart from me there is no savior.

Isa 45:21 (NIV) Declare what is to be, present it – let them take counsel together. Who foretold this long ago, who declared it from the distant past? Was it not I, the LORD? And there is no God apart from me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me.

#### Jesus:

Luke 2:11 (NIV) Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord.

#### Faith in:

## Yahweh:

Isa 43:10 (NIV) "You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor will there be one after me.

#### Jesus:

John 3:16 (NIV) "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.

#### **Eternal Rule:**

## Yahweh:

Exod 15:18 (NIV) The LORD will reign for ever and ever."

## Jesus:

Luke 1:32 (NIV) He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, 33 and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

## **Divine Light:**

#### Yahweh:

Psa 27:1 (NIV) The LORD is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid?

#### Jesus:

John 8:12 (NIV) When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

## **Always the Same:**

#### Yahweh:

Mal 3:6 (NIV) "I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed.

#### Jesus:

Heb 13:8 (NIV) Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

## **Every Knee, Tongue:**

## Yahweh:

Isa 45:23 (NIV) By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear.

#### Jesus:

Phil 2:9 (NIV) Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

#### **Eternal:**

## Yahweh:

Isa 43:10 (NIV) "You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he. Before me no god was formed, nor will there be one after me.

## Jesus:

Rev 1:8 (NIV) "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

## Judge:

## Yahweh:

Psa 50:6 (NIV) And the heavens proclaim his righteousness, for God himself is judge.

#### Jesus:

John 5:22 (NIV) Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, 23 that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him.

# Worship:

## Yahweh:

Exod 34:14 (NIV) Do not worship any other god, for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God.

## Jesus:

John 9:38 (NIV) Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

## **Dominion over Sea:**

## Yahweh:

Psa 89:8 (NIV) O LORD God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you. 9 You rule over the surging sea; when its waves mount up, you still them.

# Jesus:

Mark 4:41 (NIV) They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!"