

## Were God or Jesus ever wrong?

There are some who reject Christianity because they claim that both the God of the Old Testament and Jesus Christ of the New Testament are imperfect and have committed mistakes thus proving that they are not worthy of listening to.

1. What are claimed mistakes of God from the Old Testament?

1 Samuel **15:10-11**, 35

Genesis **6:7**

Exodus **32:10**

There are a few places where God states that He is sorry or that He repents of His actions. Making Saul King, making all of mankind, saving the nation of Israel.

2. How do we know these are not errors of God?

Deuteronomy 17:14-18

1 Samuel **8:5-6**, 20

Genesis **1:26-27**

Exodus **32:11-14**

Saul as king was not a mistake but it did demonstrate to the nation of Israel what happens when they have a king that is of the world and not of God. Making mankind was not a mistake for they were created in the image and the likeness of God in order to function like God does. God knew that man would sin and fall and it setup the path for restoration through Jesus Christ. God's saving the nation of Israel, despite her continued sin against God, was not a mistake for it let to the birth of Jesus Christ and it directed Moses and the nation to consider how their own actions reflect on the name of God.

3. What are claimed mistakes of Jesus from the New Testament?

Matthew **26:14-16**

The only apparent error that Jesus is identified as having made is in the selection of Judas as one of His twelve disciples. Judas later betrayed Jesus so that he was condemned to death.

4. How do we know these are not errors of Jesus Christ?

John **17:12**

John **8:46**

The selection of Judas was not a mistake but he was chosen by Jesus deliberately in order to fulfill the scriptures. When Jesus asked the people of Jerusalem to identify sin in His life, no one could identify any. If those who lived around Him could not identify sin, those living hundreds or thousands years later will never be able to identify any sin.

5. How can we be sure that Jesus truly is sinless and without any error of any kind?

Acts **2:22-24**

Romans **1:4**

The proof that Jesus is sinless is found in the event of the resurrection. Since death is the result of sin and Jesus was resurrected because death could not hold onto Him it demonstrates that His righteousness is sufficient to overcome death. His resurrection is further proof that He is the very Son of God and therefore without sin since He is of the same nature as God.