

Matthew 28:18

Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.” (NIV)

Carefully reading a verse is the only way to begin to properly interpret it. In this case, it is clear that Christ’s authority was *given* to him. Many other scriptures say the same thing: “God has *made* Jesus both Lord and Christ” (Acts 2:36). God “placed” everything under his feet and “appointed” him to be Head of the Church (Eph. 1:22). If Christ were really God, and co-equal and co-eternal with the Father as the Trinitarians teach, then it is illogical to say Christ was *given* authority. God, by definition, *has* authority. The authority Jesus now has is delegated and derived, and is not a function of his “divine nature.” The wording of these scriptures is, in actuality, a refutation of the Trinity. Jesus is that man to whom God gave “all authority.”

Dana, p. 215

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