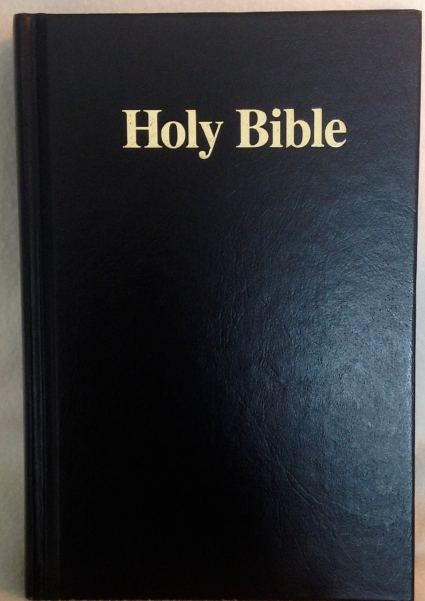


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IS MARY
THE QUEEN
OF
HEAVEN?



Luke 1:



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Luke 1

26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

31 And, behold, thou shalt **conceive in thy womb**, and **bring forth a son**, and shalt call his name JESUS.

32 He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of

his father David:

33 And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

34 Then said Mary unto the angel, How shall this be, **seeing I know not a man?**

35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

So what do we learn from these verses about Mary?

- **A Virgin**
- **Conceive in thy womb**
- **Bring forth a son**
- **His father David**
- **I know not a man**
- **The Holy Spirit Shall Come Upon thee**
- **The power of the Highest shall overshadow thee**

Matt 1:

24 Then Joseph being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and took unto him his wife:

25 And knew her not **till** she had brought forth her **firstborn** son: and he called his name JESUS.

Mark 6:

3 Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary, **the brother** of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us? And they were offended at him.

4 But Jesus said unto them, A prophet is not without honour, but in his own country, and among **his own kin**, and in **his own house.**

John 7:

2 Now the Jews' feast of tabernacles was at hand.

3 His **brethren** therefore said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy disciples **also** may see the works that thou doest.

4 For [there is] no man [that] doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known openly. **If** thou do these things, shew thyself to the world.

5 For **neither did his brethren believe in him.**

6 Then Jesus said unto them, My time is not yet come: but your time is always ready.

7 The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil.

8 Go ye up to the feast: I go not up yet unto the feast; for my time is not yet full come.

Luke 2:

21 And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

22 And when the **days of her purification** according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord;

Wikipedia : Dogmatic definition

On November 1, 1950, in the Apostolic Constitution Munificentissimus Deus Pope Pius XII declared the Assumption of Mary as a dogma:

By the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, we pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the **Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary**, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

Romans 1

:3 Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, which was made **[γίνομαι ginomai]**
= came into existence
of the
seed **[σπέρμα sperma]**
of David
according to the flesh;

:4 And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

Mark 3:

20 And the multitude cometh together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread.

21 And when his friends heard of it, they went out to lay hold on him: for they said, He is beside himself.

31 There came then his brethren and his mother, and, standing without, sent unto him, calling him.

32 And the multitude sat about him, and they said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren without seek for thee.

33 And he answered them, saying,

Who is my mother, or my brethren?

34 And he looked round about on them which sat about him, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren!

35 For whosoever shall do the will of God, the same is my brother, and my sister, and mother.

Luke 11:

27 And it came to pass, as he spake these things, a certain woman of the company lifted up her voice, and said unto him,

**Blessed is the womb that bare thee,
and the paps which thou hast sucked.**

28 But he said, Yea rather,
blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

- 1.** She did not remain a virgin but had other children.
- 2.** She was not immaculate but an ordinary Jewish woman
- 3.** She was not perfect
- 4.** She was not to be worshiped
- 5.** Not “Mother of God”

Jeremiah 7:

17 Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem?

18 The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough,

to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

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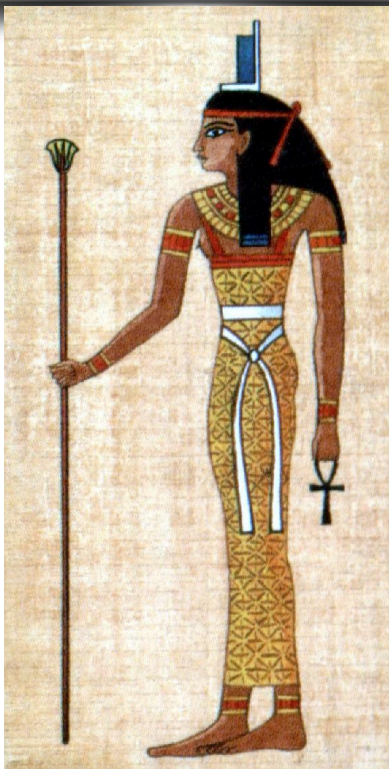
Queen of heaven (antiquity)

Queen of Heaven was a title given to a number of ancient goddesses in the ancient Mediterranean and Near East, in particular Anat, Isis, Innana, Astarte, Hera and possibly Asherah (by the prophet Jeremiah). Elsewhere, Nordic Frigg also bore this title. In Greco-Roman times Hera, and her Roman aspect Juno bore this title. Forms and content of worship varied. The title Queen of Heaven is used by Catholics and Orthodox Christians for Mary.

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Astarte

The goddess, the Queen of Heaven, whose worship Jeremiah so vehemently opposed, may have been possibly Astarte. Astarte is the name of a goddess as known from Northwestern Semitic regions, cognate in name, origin and functions with the goddess Ishtar in Mesopotamian texts. Astarte was connected with fertility, sexuality, and war. Her symbols [included]... a star within a circle indicating the planet Venus. Astarte was accepted by the Greeks under the name of Aphrodite.



“Penguin Handbook of Ancient Religions”

(Edited By John R. Hinnells)

Rosalie David comments

“Egyptian concepts probably entered early Christian biblical belief through both the biblical Old and New Testaments, and more directly through Egypt’s influence on the Hellenistic world. Thus, the divine triads of the pharaonic period and the concept of the Trinity may be associated, **while there are probably links between the cult of the Virgin Mary and the Isis cult....**”

Chapter 2 Ancient Egypt



Wikipedia

Isis

(Greek: Ἴσις, original Egyptian pronunciation more likely Aset) is a goddess in Ancient Egyptian religious beliefs, whose worship spread throughout the Greco-Roman world. She was worshipped as the ideal mother and wife as well as the patroness of nature and magic. She was the friend of slaves, sinners, artisans, and the downtrodden, and she listened to the prayers of the wealthy, maidens, aristocrats, and rulers.....

...The worship of Isis eventually spread throughout the Greco-Roman world, continuing until the suppression of paganism in the Christian era. The popular motif of Isis suckling her son Horus, however, lived on in a Christianized context as the popular image of Mary suckling the infant son Jesus from the fifth century onward.

Wikipedia

Queen of Heaven

This article is about the Catholic title of the Virgin Mary as Queen of Heaven. The title Queen of Heaven has long been a Catholic tradition, included in prayers & devotional literature, and seen in Western art in the subject of the Coronation of the Virgin, from the High Middle Ages, long before it was given a formal definition status by the Church

The Catholic Church from the earliest times venerated the Queen of Heaven, according to Pius XII:

From the earliest ages of the Catholic Church a Christian people, whether in time of triumph or more especially in time of crisis, has addressed prayers of petition and hymns of praise and veneration to the Queen of Heaven....Mary, the Virgin Mother of God, reigns with a mother's solicitude over the entire world, just as she is crowned in heavenly blessedness with the glory of a Queen.

...The relation between the Christian title and similar pagan cults is one reason why the Protestant Churches usually avoid such titles as "Queen of Heaven". The title Queen of Heaven was used in antiquity by various religious systems. In particular, it was used by the prophet Jeremiah, probably in reference to Asherah, a goddess worshipped as the consort of Yahweh in ancient Israel and Judah and in the Temple of Yahweh in Elephantine in Upper Egypt. The only Biblical use of the title "Queen of Heaven" is in Jeremiah (7:18; 44:17ff) denouncing the idolatrous worship of Ashtoreth. There is Scriptural warrant, however, for the Marian title "Queen of Heaven," in the richly allegorical passage in Revelations 12:1 about the pregnant "woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head" who gave birth to a "son ... who will rule all the nations with an iron sceptre" in the face of the dragon, who was cheated of his prey. ...

Revelation 12

1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven;

a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

Revelation 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John:



Rev 17:

1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon **many waters**:"

3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of **blasphemy**, having **seven heads and ten horns**.

4 And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

5 And upon her forehead [was] a name written, MYSTERY, **BABYLON** THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

6 And I saw the woman **drunken with the blood of the saints**, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

9 And here [is] the mind which hath wisdom. **The seven heads** are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

12 And **the ten horns** which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast."

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him [are] called, and chosen, and faithful.

15 And he saith unto me, **The waters** which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues."

Revelation 18:

4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

7 How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

2Corinthians 6:

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you

18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.