



John 8:58

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Context

NET © Jesus said to them, "I tell you the solemn truth,¹ before Abraham came into existence,² I am!"³

NIV © "I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"

NASB © Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am."

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NLT © Jesus answered, "The truth is, I existed before Abraham was even born!"

MSG © "Believe me," said Jesus, "I am who I am long before Abraham was anything."

BBE © Jesus said to them, Truly I say to you, Before Abraham came into being, I am.

NRSV © Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, before Abraham was, I am."

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NKJV © Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM."

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NET © ¹ tn Grk "Truly, truly, I say to you."

Notes ² tn Grk "before Abraham was."

³ **sn / am!** is an explicit claim to deity. Although each occurrence of the phrase "I am" in the Fourth Gospel needs to be examined individually in context to see if an association with [Exod 3:14](#) is present, it seems clear that this is the case here (as the response of the Jewish authorities in the following verse shows).

