

## Magical gem: Jesus Christ? (A) star, σωτήρ (B)

<b>CBd-Number</b>	CBd-825
<b>ID-Number</b>	GB-BM-MMEu_G 330, EA 56330
<b>Collection</b>	GB_London, The British Museum
<b>Inventory</b>	G 330 (EA 56330)
<b>References</b>	Michel, BM, no. 467; Spier, Gems, no. 591; Michel, DMG, no. 31.5_1
<b>Former Collections</b>	Chester, Greville John (1830-1892)
<b>Material</b>	glass, red
<b>Dimensions</b>	24 x 18 x 4 mm
<b>Dating</b>	4th-5th c. AD (Michel)
<b>Iconography</b>	saint; clothing, unspecified; cross; star; headband?; scepter, unspecified; Jesus Christ?



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A: Standing figure, in profile to left, wearing a long robe (Jesus Christ?). Left arm raised and bent in elbow, holding a cross, right arm also raised, the object in the right hand cannot be identified. In front of the figure, on the left, perhaps a scepter(?) originally held by the right hand? The figure is probably bearded and perhaps wears a headband or wreath(?).

B: Star, with an inscription below it, in two lines: σωτηρ → σωτήρ. 'Saviour'.

### Bibliography

[Michel, BM on CBd-825](#)

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