

THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST

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DEITY OF CHRIST PART 2

Week 3

REVIEW: WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

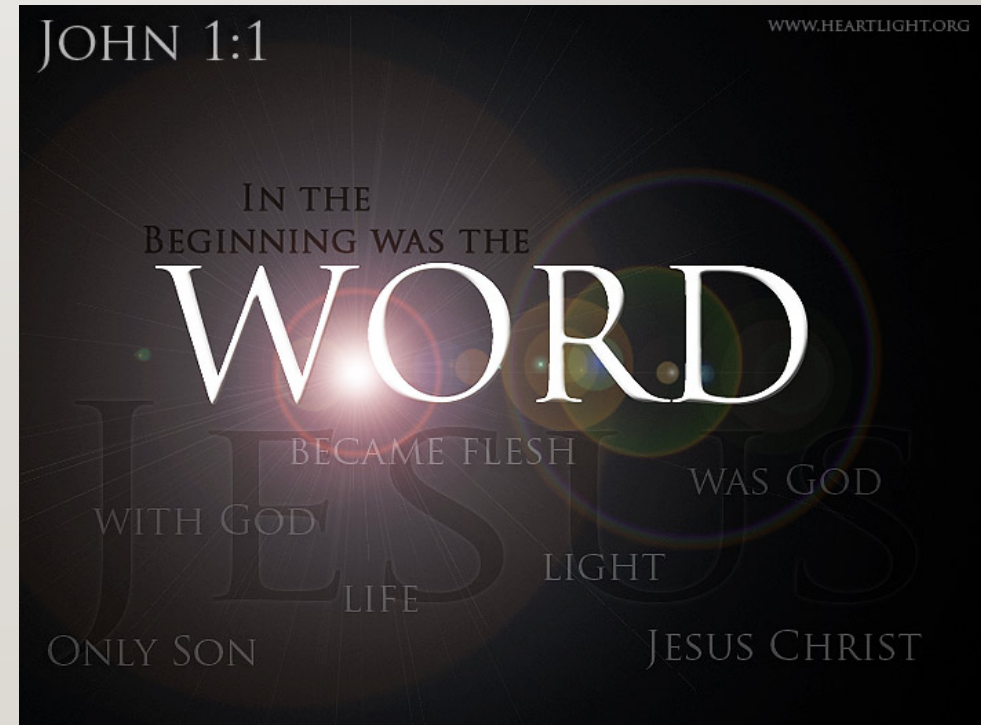
1. Fully God
2. Fully Man
3. Only one Person (not two) and not a mixture (e.g. brass), it is a personal union (*Hypostatic*)

REVIEW: WHERE TO GO IN THE BIBLE?

- John 1:1-14
- Hebrews 1
- Colossians 1

REVIEW: JOHN 1:1-14

- He is God
 - the Word was God
- He is the Creator
 - All things were made through him
 - without him was not any thing made that was made



REVIEW: HEBREWS I

- Sustainer of the World
 - upholds the universe by the word of his power
 - Compare Col. 1:17
- Exact revelation of God to man
 - radiance of the glory of God
 - the exact imprint of his nature



REVIEW: COLOSSIANS I



- Image of the invisible God
- For by him all things were created
- He holds creation together

APPEARANCES OF THE PRE-INCARNATE CHRIST



THEOPHANIES

- Genesis 26:7-13
- Genesis 18
- Genesis 31:11-13

THEOPHANIES

- Exodus 3:2-16
- Joshua 5:13ff.

DIVINE PREROGATIVES



DEITY OF CHRIST FROM THE BIBLE

- Christ is called by the **Names** of God
- Christ has all the **Attributes** of God
- Christ does all the **Works** of God

CALLED BY THE NAMES OF GOD

- Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, **I am.**” (John 8:58)
- God said to Moses, “**I am who I am.**” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel, ‘I am has sent me to you.’ ” (Exodus 3:14)



CALLED BY THE NAMES OF GOD

- This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God. (John 5:18)
- waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of **our great God** and Savior Jesus Christ, (Titus 2:13)

CALLED BY THE NAMES OF GOD

- And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true; and we are in him who is true, in his Son Jesus Christ. **He is the true God** and eternal life. (1 John 5:20)
- For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, **Mighty God, Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)

CALLED BY THE NAMES OF GOD

- To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ **who is God over all**, blessed forever. Amen. (Romans 9:5)
- None of the rulers of this age understood this, for if they had, they would not have crucified **the Lord of glory**. (1 Corinthians 2:8)

HAS THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD

- He is Omnipotent
- He is Omniscient
- He is Unchangeable and Eternal



ATTRIBUTES: OMNIPOTENT

- “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.” (Revelation 1:8)
- But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself. (Philippians 3:20–21)

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD: OMNISCIENT

- then hear in heaven your dwelling place and forgive and act and render to each whose heart you know, according to all his ways (for you, you only, know the hearts of all the children of mankind), (1 Kings 8:39)
- “I the Lord search the heart and test the mind, to give every man according to his ways, according to the fruit of his deeds.” (Jeremiah 17:10)

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD: OMNISCIENT

- But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man. (John 2:24–25)
- and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am he who searches mind and heart, and I will give to each of you according to your works. (Revelation 2:23)
- But he knew their thoughts, and he said to the man with the withered hand, “Come and stand here.” And he rose and stood there. (Luke 6:8)

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD: ETERNAL

- Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but you are the same, and your years have no end. (Psalm 102:25–27)
- Compare Hebrews 1:10

ATTRIBUTES OF GOD: ETERNAL

- Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)
- For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isa. 9:6)

DOES THE WORKS OF GOD

- Creation
- Miracles
- Forgiving Sin
- The Object of Worship

WORKS OF GOD: CREATION

- John 1:1-3
- Colossians 1:15-17
- Hebrews 1:1-3, 10

WORKS OF GOD: MIRACLES

- For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. (John 5:21)
- This is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” (John 6:40)

WORKS OF GOD: FORGIVING SIN

- And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, “Why do you question these things in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Rise, take up your bed and walk’? But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins”—he said to the paralytic—“I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home.” (Mark 2:8–11)

OBJECT OF WORSHIP

- When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and fell down at his feet and worshiped him. But Peter lifted him up, saying, “Stand up; I too am a man.” (Acts 10:25–26)
- And Jesus answered him, “It is written, “ ‘You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.’ ” (Luke 4:8)

OBJECT OF WORSHIP

- Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. **And they worshiped him** and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, (Luke 24:50–52)

OBJECT OF WORSHIP

- And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God’s angels worship him.” (Hebrews 1:6)

OBJECT OF WORSHIP

- And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep. (Acts 7:59–60)
- so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, (Philippians 2:10)

THE DIVINE MEDIATOR: WLC 36

Who is the Mediator of the covenant of grace?

- Answer: The only Mediator of the covenant of grace is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, of one substance and equal with the Father, in the fullness of time became man, and so was and continues to be God and man, in two entire distinct natures, and one person, forever.

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

WLC 38: Why was it requisite that the Mediator should be God?

It was requisite that the Mediator should be God, that he might sustain and keep the human nature from sinking under the infinite wrath of God, and the power of death; give worth and efficacy to his sufferings, obedience, and intercession; and to satisfy God's justice, procure his favor, purchase a peculiar people, give his Spirit to them, conquer all their enemies, and bring them to everlasting salvation.

THE HUMANITY OF CHRIST PART I

NEXT WEEK