

THE DEITY OF CHRIST

INTRODUCTORY THOUGHTS

1. He who occupied the highest place of Deity in company with the Father and the Spirit –
Was made flesh, and dwelt among us.
Jn 1:1-2,14
Jn 17:5
Phil 2:5-8

2. He who is from everlasting to everlasting Ps 41:13; 90:2 -
Was born of a woman and died on a cross.

3. He who is called “Wonderful Counselor” Isa 9:6 –
Was spit upon by men. Matt 27:27-31; Mk 15:16-20
Lk 22:63-65; Isa 5:2 (b)-3

4. He who is “Mighty God” Isa 9:6 –
Was crucified in humility.
Phil 2:8

5. He who is “Eternal Father” Isa 9:6 –
Is a son who learned obedience by the things He suffered;
Heb 5:8
And was made perfect by that learned obedience.
Heb 5:9

6. He who is called “The Prince of Peace” Isa 9:6 –
Will swing a sharp sickle and cast men into the winepress of the wrath of God;
And rule them with a “rod of iron”.
Rev 19:15-16

7. He who created all things Jn 1:3 –
Occupied an infant’s cradle

8. He who was “Holy, Innocent, Undefined, Separated from sinners” Heb 7:26

Was made sin.
2 Cor 5:21

9. He who was “the Bread of Life” Jn 6:35,48
Was, Himself, hungry. Matt 4:2

10. He who was the Giver of “Living Water” Jn 4:10 –
Was thirsty
Jn 4:7; Jn 19:28 (Ps 69:21)

11. He who was God’s “Gift of Life” to man Jn 11:25-26 –
Was dead.
Jn 19:30-34

12. He who was dead
Is alive
Lk 24:36-43

QUESTIONS

1. “What kind of man is this?” Matt 8:27
2. “Who do you say that I am?” Matt 16:13-17
3. Who does the Spirit say He is? The Bible tells us.

NOTE: There is nothing which is said to be true of God which is not also said to be true of Christ Jn 5:23.

The Son is dishonored when assigned a lower place than the Father. Such dishonor to the Son is displeasing to the Father.



THE NAMES OF CHRIST

1. JESUS

embodies the whole redemptive purpose of His Incarnation.

Matt 1:21

2. SON OF: man, Mary Matt 1:16, Abraham, David Lk 3:23-38

reflects His human lineage and relationships

3. LOGOS (WORD)

As language embodies thought, so Christ is the Expression, the Manifestor of God. This name is only used by John.

As Logos He:

was in the beginning with God Jn 1:1

became flesh Jn 1:14

manifested God to man Jn 1:18

In short: God made Himself known to man in Christ,
Both in Person, and through His Word.

Col 1:15; 2:9; Jn 3:34; 8:47

4. ONLY BEGOTTEN Jn 1:14,18

stresses the eternal relationship that has existed between the Father and the Son.

ONLY – He is related to the Father as an ONLY SON is related to an earthly Father.

Begotten stresses relationship, not time. He is Eternally Begotten.

a. Jesus is “The ONLY BEGOTTEN” in relation to the many figurative “sons of God”.

b. Angels are sons of God by creation but compared to Christ, they are not sons at all. He stands alone.

c. Those begotten by the Spirit become “adopted” sons of God. They begin to be so, after having become men.

Christ was Son FROM ALL ETERNITY.

BEGOTTEN – also has reference to Christ’s Resurrection

Heb 1:5, Acts 13:33

It is further noted that Jesus was the Only Begotten “from the Father”. This refers to His Incarnation in time and not to His person. Jn 3:16-18

The quality of God’s gift is in focus – the very greatest gift which is possible – THE ONLY BEGOTTEN SON!!!

5. IMAGE Col 1:15

He is the visible manifestation of that in God which is invisible.

Jn 1:18

Jesus Christ is the “declarer” of the Father, whom none hath seen.

This term is not restricted to Christ at the Incarnation but to the Manifestation of God any time from the beginning.

Phil 2:5-8

6. EXACT IMAGE Heb 1:3

The Son bears the exact image of the Divine nature and character.

This is contrasted to any other manifestation ever experienced (vs 1).

In modern terminology: the “Son Revelation” was perfect, complete, Exact, unable to be expanded.

7. FIRST BEGOTTEN (FIRST BORN) Col 1:15

a. Supreme to all the creation and not the first created thing, but before all things and the cause of all things.

Col 1: 16; Rom 8:29

b. Firstborn by Resurrection Col 1:18; Rev 1:5

The First to be raised from the dead in Resurrection Life. 1 Cor 15:22

8. GOD Isa 40:3 with Matt 3:1-3

Isa 9:6 “a child will be born...His name...Mighty God...

Lk 1:16 John the Baptist would turn many to their God

Jn 20:28 Thomas’ testimony

Titus 2:13 Jesus Christ our great God...

Acts 20:28 The “church of God” is the “church of Christ”

Heb 1:7-8 of the Son He says “Thy Throne O God is forever and ever.”

9. IMMANUEL Isa 7:14

is translated in Matt 1:23

More than God is present with His people – God has become one of the Human family!

This truth begs a question: Lk 1:34-35

10. JEHOVAH Isa 42:8 (RV or American Standard) Ps 83:18; Zech 12:1-10

It is Lord – Jehovah – the God of Israel who is speaking.

In verse 10 He refers to Himself as the One whom they have pierced – A Clear Reference to Christ.

Jer 23:5-8 The Lord (Jehovah) “our righteousness”

1 Cor 1:30; 2 Cor 5:21

Ps 68:18 Jehovah

Eph 4:8-10 Jesus

Isa 8:13-14 Jehovah

1 Pet 2:7-8 Jesus

Isa 48:12; 41:4; 44:6 Jehovah

Rev 22:13,16 1:17-18 1:8 Jesus

Mal 3:1 Jehovah will come to His temple

Mk 11:17 Jesus called the temple His House

Ex 31:12-18 The Sabbath Day was a Holy day, consecrated to Jehovah.

Matt 12:8 Jesus said He was “Lord of the Sabbath”, declaring what could and could not be done on the Sabbath.

Jesus Christ of the New Testament IS CLEARLY Jehovah of the Old Testament!
The Names attributed to Him clearly demonstrate this.



THE ATTRIBUTES OF CHRIST

1. ETERNITY Micah 5: 2

Eternity is not the greatest amount of time that can be imagined.

It is outside of time.

Gen 1:1 speaks of the “beginning” of material things.

Jn 1:1 strains language to its last degree of expression in order to
declare the eternity of Logos.

Jn 8:58 states that Jesus is Jehovah of the OT – Ex 3:13-14.

In fact, as shown above, Jesus is the God of Israel.

His Name is “Eternal Father” – Isa 9:6

Col 1:17 “He is before all things”

2. IMMUTABILITY Mal 3:6; Heb 1:11-12, 13:8

He changes not!

3. OMNIPOTENCE 1 Cor 15:28

Not only this but the creating and sustaining of creation also speaks of
His power.

The revelation of that Power expands as we see further out into that
Creation. Isa 40:12-31, esp vs 12, tells us that He holds creation between
His thumb and little finger.

4. OMNISCIENCE 1 Kgs 8:39

“Thou alone dost know the hearts of all the sons of men.”

The same is said of Jesus – Jn 2:24-25 (“For He knew...”)

Rev 2:23; Matt 11:27

5. OMNIPRESENCE Jer 23:24

Jesus Matt 18:20; 28:19-20; Jn 14:23

FOUR ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS

1. Only God has the authority to forgive sins.

Mk 2:3-12 (Lk 5:21); Acts 5:30-31; Col 3:12-13

2. Jehovah judges the world Ps 9:7-8 by the Son Jn 5:22-23.

The "judgment seat of God" Rom 14:10 and

The "judgment seat of Christ" 2 Cor 5:10 are one and the same as to
The judge.

3. God is the One who raises the dead 2 Cor 1:9 and Christ is God!

1 Cor 15:21-22; Jn 5:25-29

4. The Son is presented in the Scriptures as One who occupies a place of
equality with the Father and the Spirit.

The Son receives the same worship, honor, and glory that is offered to the
Father.

Whatever is true of the Father and the Spirit is also true of the Son.

The Son remains incarnate throughout Eternity to come and at the same
time, He remains what He is: God, manifest in the flesh.

Christ is God, and, since He is God, He has existed from all Eternity.