

THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST

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DEITY OF CHRIST PART I

Week 2

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*)

The Nicene Creed



FULLY GOD

*“God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance with the
Father”*

FULLY MAN



“who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man”

IT AFFECTS HOW THE CHRISTIAN:

- Is able to **trust** Christ as God
- Should **worship** Christ
- Understands the **cost and nature** of his salvation
- Will **view the Bible**
 - *“without the Deity of Christ, the Bible is the drama of Hamlet without Hamlet”*

NEW TESTAMENT: CHRIST IS GOD

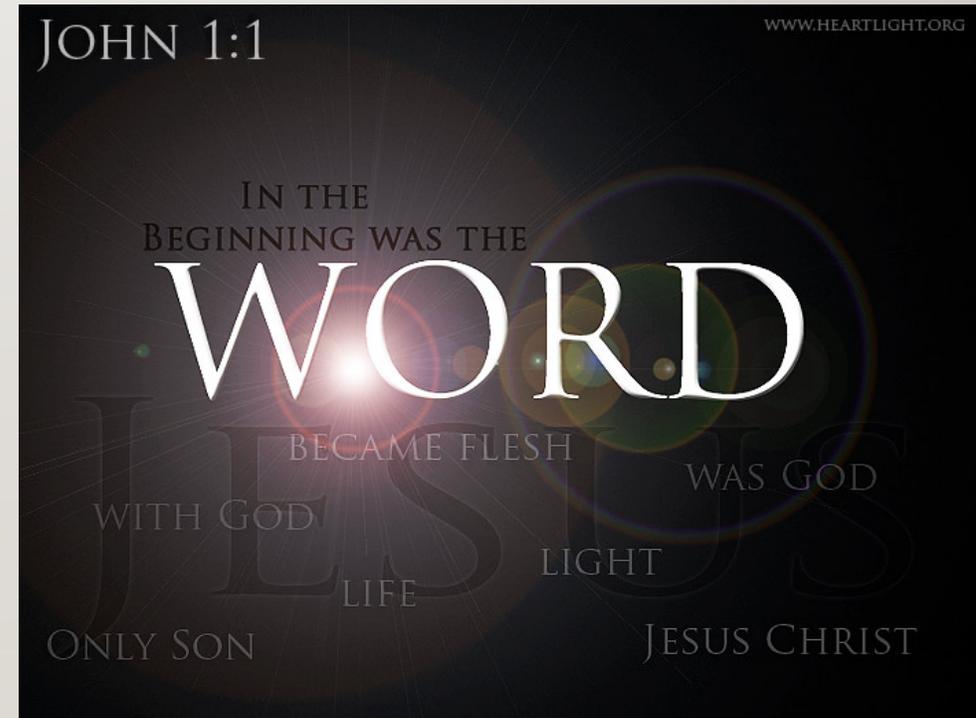


THE NEW TESTAMENT EVIDENCE

- John 1:1-14
- Hebrews 1
- Colossians 1
- Other passages

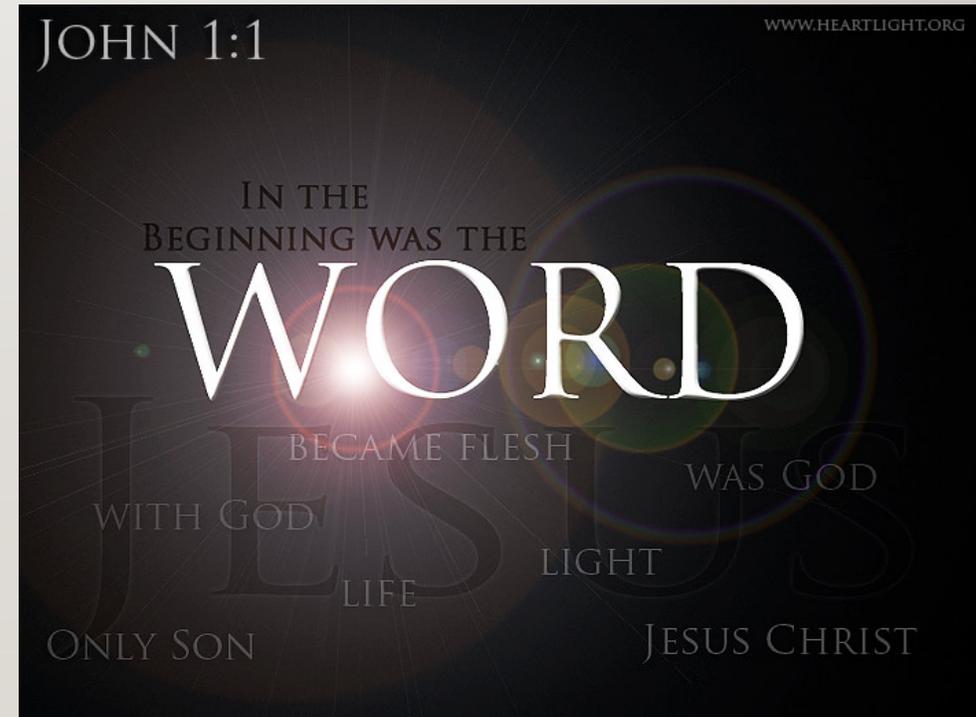
JOHN 1:1-14

- He existed in eternity (1:1)
 - “In the beginning was the Word”
 - Compare Genesis 1:1



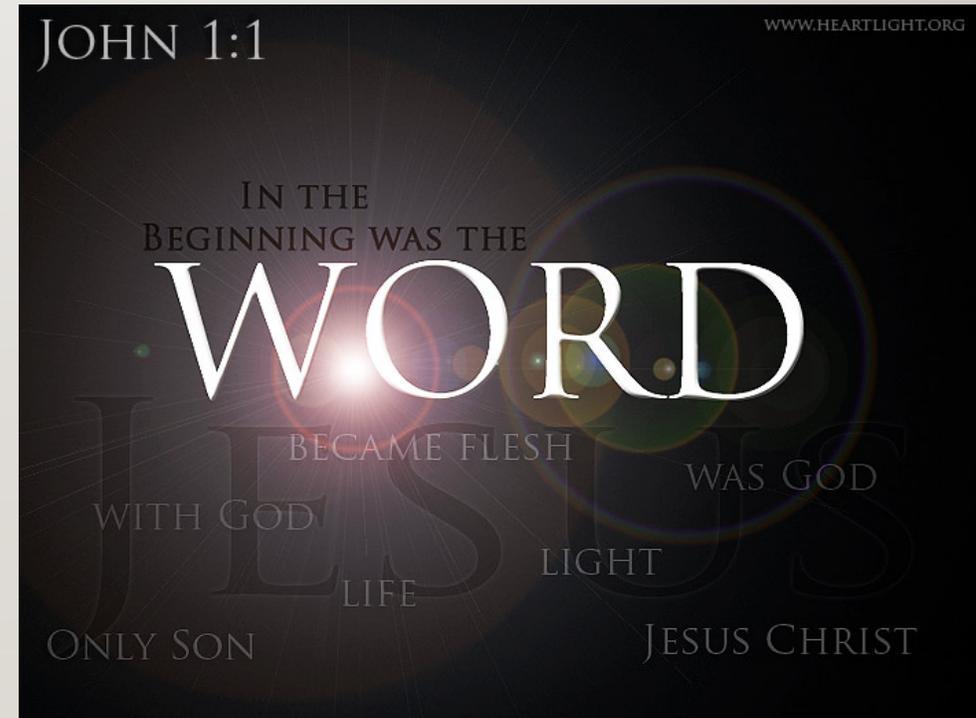
JOHN 1:1-14

- He is in intimate relation with God (1:1-2)
 - and the Word was with God
 - He was in the beginning with God



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



JOHN 1:1-14

- In Him is life (1:4)
 - In him was life, and the life was the light of men
- He became flesh (1:14)
 - And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us

HEBREWS I

- Called God's Son
 - Hebrews 1:2, 5, 8
- Creator of the World
 - Hebrews 1:2, 10



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

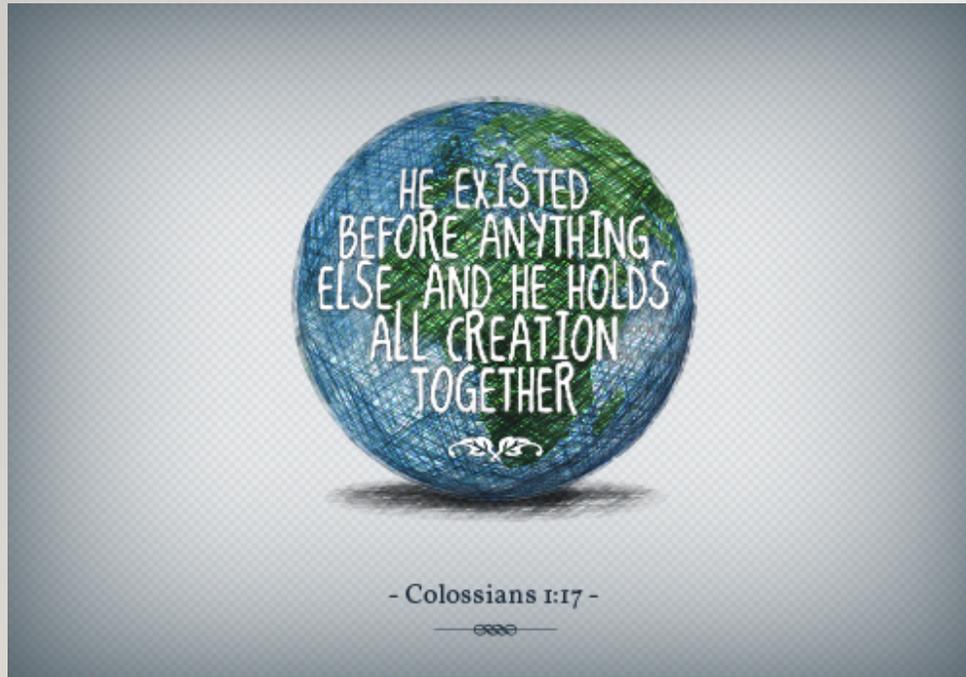


HEBREWS I

- Object of Worship
 - Let all God's angels worship him
- Called God
 - But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom"



COLOSSIANS I



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

COLOSSIANS I



- He is preeminent in all things
- In him the fullness of God dwells

OTHER PASSAGES

- John 10:30
 - I and the Father are one.
- John 17:5
 - And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.
- Colossians 2:9
 - For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily

OTHER PASSAGES

- I Timothy 3:16
 - Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: He was manifested in the flesh
- Romans 9:5
 - the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.
- Acts 20:28
 - care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.

OLD TESTAMENT: CHRIST IS GOD



OLD TESTAMENT EVIDENCE

- Thus says the Lord, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the Lord of hosts: “I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god. (Isaiah 44:6)
- “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)
- Also Rev. 1:17, 2:8

OLD TESTAMENT EVIDENCE

- and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed. (Daniel 7:13–14)
- No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. (John 3:13)

OLD TESTAMENT EVIDENCE

- none of the men who have seen my glory and my signs that I did in Egypt and in the wilderness, and yet have put me to the test these ten times and have not obeyed my voice, (Numbers 14:22)
- We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, (1 Corinthians 10:9)

OLD TESTAMENT EVIDENCE

- And it shall come to pass that everyone **who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved**. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls. (Joel 2:32)
- For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” (Romans 10:13)
- if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)

OLD TESTAMENT EVIDENCE

“And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, **when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced,** they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. (Zechariah 12:10)

Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, **even those who pierced him,** and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.
(Revelation 1:7)

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NEXT WEEK