



TimeWatch

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15

Lesson 11

The Divinity of Christ

Is Christ set forth as a divine being in Holy Writ?

"But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is forever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows." *Hebrews 1:8,9.*

Did Christ exist before He was manifested in the flesh?

"And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was." *John 17:5.*

By what agency was His incarnation effected?

"And the angel answered and said unto her, *The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee*: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God." *Luke 1:35.*

Did His incarnation annul His divinity?

"And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: *God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.*" *1 Timothy 3:16.*

How does Christ Himself speak of His relation to the Father?

"I and My Father are one." *John 10:30.*

How does He show what He means by being "one with the Father?"

"And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name those whom thou hast given me, that they may be one, as we are." *John 17:11.*

NOTE: One in purpose, spirit, work etc.; and the same is true of those who have truly learned of Christ.

How was He manifested on the earth as a Savior?

TimeWatch: And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. *Timothy 3:15*

"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is *born* this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10,11. "And the *Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us* (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father), full of grace and truth." **John 1:14.**

Why was He thus made known?

"Wherefore in all things it behooved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, *to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.*" **Hebrews 2:17.**

How was He recognized by the Father while here?

"And lo a voice from heaven, saying, *This is my beloved Son*, in whom I am well pleased." **Matthew 3:17.**

How was the divinity of the Son of God shown?

- 1. In His creative power.** "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:" Colossians 1:13-16 "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made." **John 1:1-3.**
- 2. By His power to perform miracles.** "And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go." **John 11:43,44.**
- 3. By His right to lay down His life and take it up again.** "Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again" **John 10:17**
- 4. By His being recognized as God.** "And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his Angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom." **Hebrews 1:7, 8**
"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." **Isaiah 9:6.**
- 5. By what He endured for a race of rebels.** "Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see

his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors." *Isaiah 53:10-12*.

How does Paul speak of Christ's relation to the Father?

"For in him dwelleth all *the fulness of the Godhead bodily*." *Colossians 2:9*.

What is our privilege in view of what this precious Saviour has done?

"For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." *Hebrews 4:15, 16*.