

THE MAN CHRIST JESUS

A STUDY ON MAN AND THE DIVINE PERSON

*"For there is one God,
and one mediator between God and men,
the man Christ Jesus."*

~ 1 Timothy 2:5

1. The Person of Jesus

- a. No subject more significant to your salvation than the person of Jesus Christ.
 - i. If he was not man, he could not die, nor could he redeem men.
 - ii. If he was not God, he could not die for your sins, nor give eternal life.
 - iii. If God is one person, there can be no mediation. 1 Tim 2:5
 - iv. If Jesus is two persons, then your Saviour cannot be one. Titus 2:13
- b. God was manifest in the flesh (1 Tim 3:16). The Word was made flesh (John 1:14)
 - i. *How is the man Christ Jesus also God? How is God our Saviour a man?*

2. The Eternal Son

- a. Person ~*def.* a self who speaks, acts, hears, is responsible, an independent witness.
- b. The Word did not come into being, he had no beginning, being God – John 1:1, 14
- c. Christ eternally existed before his being made flesh – John 8:58, 17:5
- d. The Son was begotten from before the world (eternity) – John 1:18, 3:16, Heb 1:6-10
- e. Before Bethlehem, the Jesus was from everlasting – Mic 5:2
- f. The person of Jesus was in the form of God before he humbled himself – Phi 2:6-8
- g. We did not exist before we were born in the flesh. The Lord Jesus Christ did.

3. The Form of a Man

- a. Man was made in the image of God – Gen 1:26 (but we are not like the Godhead)
 - i. (Soul, spirit, body do not interact as do the three persons in the Godhead)
- b. God formed man, breathed into him, he became a living soul - Gen 2:7, 1 Cor 15:45
- c. He made his body from the dirt, breathed his spirit, became a living soul – Ecc 12:7
- d. A whole man consists of spirit, soul, body - 1 Thess 5:23
- e. A man has a spirit, which is how we are informed – 1 Cor 2:11, Prov 20:27
- f. The spirit of a man and the spirit of animals are different – Ecc 3:21
- g. The word of God can divide asunder the soul and spirit of a man – Heb 4:12
- h. The nature of a man is alike for us all, but our person is unique (name tag, but more)

4. The Man Christ Jesus

- a. Man was made in the image of God, so that the image of God could be made man.
- b. When Christ put on form of a man, made flesh, he was wholly man. Rom 5:15, 19
- c. It was the eternal person of Jesus that assumed flesh – Gal 4:4, Rom 8:3
- d. Jesus had a soul (it was not the Father) – Isa 53:10-12, John 12:27
- e. If Jesus spirit was God the Spirit, then it would not be the spirit of a man (unredeemed)
- f. If only the body part of the man Jesus was a man, then he was like us – Heb 2:11
- g. Jesus was like man in all things – Heb 2:14-17, 4:14-15, 5:1-2
- h. Jesus is was truly man (spirit, soul, body), while being God at the same time.
- i. The man Christ Jesus was God, the Lord and Saviour from heaven - 1 Cor 15:47