Christology O come let us adore Him



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ADORE: Revere, reverence, venerate, worship, to honor and admire profoundly and respectfully.

- Revere, stresses deference and tenderness of feeling.
- Reverance, presupposes an intrinsic merit and inviolability in the one honored and a similar depth of feeling in the one honoring.
- Venerate, implies a holding as holy or sacrosanct because of character, association, or age.
- Worship, implies homage usually expressed in words or ceremony.

ADORE, implies love and stresses an individual and personal attachment.

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I. THE MYSTERY OF HIS HUMANITY

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, Received up in glory. 1 Tim. 3:16

Jesus was fully God and fully man, with one exception. He was without sin, and no other human being has that characteristic.

I. THE MYSTERY OF HIS HUMANITY

- A. 2Co 5:21 He who knew no sin made to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him. (HE never experienced the failure of sin.)
- **B.** 1Jn 3:5 And you know that He was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin. (The potential of failure was not in Him.)
- C. Heb 4:15 and was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.... (infinite purity; nothing lacking and nothing in excess.)

Question: How great is the mystery of godliness? "As well might a gnat drink the oceans dry, as a finite creature might fully comprehend the mysteries of the Eternal God," C.H. Spurgeon

II. HIS PREFERRED TITLE FOR HIMSELF; SON OF MAN

- **A.**The title appears **84 times** in the Gospels, almost exclusively Jesus referring to Himself.
- **B.**The title appears another 4 times, 1 in Acts, 1 in Hebrews, and 2 in Rev.
 - 1. Rev 1:13 and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.
 - **2. Rev 14:14** Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat One like the **Son of Man**, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.



C. Daniel 7:13-14 The tiltle; Son of Man is clearly identified as Deity: "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, One like the **Son of Man**, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him. Then 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 the one Which shall not be destroyed.

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NOTE: There is abundant reason, to see the Title **Son of Man** emphasises His Humanity while it evidences His Deity.

Isa. 7:14 - a son will be born to a virgin, Immanuel, (God with us)

Isa. 9:6 - Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace

Dan. 7:13-14 - Son of Man; dominion, kingdom, and glory ... shall not pass away

III. THE FACT OF HIS HUMANITY

- A. 1Jn 2:18 Little children...even now many antichrists have come,
- **B. 1Jn 2:22...**He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son.
- C. 1Jn 4:3...does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, you have heard was coming, ...already in the world.
- **D. 2Jn 1:7** For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.

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- **E.** The writers of the four gospels were never in doubt. But history records several disputes.
- **F.** Apollinarius, Bishop of Laodicea, early disputes that resulted in **gnosticism**. (382 ad)
- **G.** Mary Baker Eddy, denied the reality of His real physical body, His Humanity
- **H.** Christian Science, Material = sinful / Immaterial = sinless; the 2 can never meet!

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IV. GOD THE SON TOOK UPON HIMSELF HUMANITY

Mat 1:16 And Jacob begot Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born [feminine singular pronoun] Jesus, who is called Christ. The phrase as clarifies the birth of Jesus was connected exclusively to Mary and not Joseph.

Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon [superimpose] you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.

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- A. HE produced the ONLY BEGOTTEN as it best suited HIS purposes. HE could have spoke it, HE could have breathed it, as HE brought life into the lifeless form HE made from the dust.
 - **B.** The blood of Jesus **incorruptible** ... **1Pe 1:18** knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.

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- C. The Chemistry of The Blood, Dr. MR DeHann, (23 Chromosomes and the Blood).
 - 1. Lev 17:11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood.
 - 2. Psa 118:23 This was the LORD's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.
 - 3. Psalm 40:6-8 Sacrifice and offering You did not desire;
 - 4. Heb 10:5-7 ... a body you have prepared for me.

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- **D.** Our Savior is very man of very man and very God of very God, that fact is clearly set forth in the record of scripture. For God the Son to become human, (very man), He received 23 chromosomes from Mary, the 23 must be paired with 23 compliments that cannot be from Mary. God Himself provided the 23 chromosome compliments, (especially, and including the #23rd - and it was a Y chromosome).
- E. A spiritual paternity test. John 8:42 Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. In other words ... GOD DECLARED IT, THAT SETTLES IT!

- A. Before His Ascension (not always initially recognized)
 - 1. Sunday morning, Mary Magdalene near the sepulchre (Mark 16:9, John 20:11-18)
 - 2. To the women returning from the sepulchre (Matthew 28:9-10)
 - 3. To Peter (Cephas) near Jerusalem (Luke 24:34, 1Corinthians 15:5)
 - 4. To two disciples going to Emmaus that day (Mark 16:12, Luke 24:13-31)
 - 5. To the apostles except Thomas (Mark 16:14, John 20:19-25)

- A. Before His Ascension (not always initially recognized)
 - 6. To all the apostles, especially Thomas (John 20:26-29)
 - 7. At the Sea of Galilee to seven disciples fishing (John 21:1-13)
 - 8. To eleven disciples on a mountain in Galilee (Matthew 28:16-18)
 - 9. Over 500 disciples at once --location uncertain (1Corinthians 15:6)
 - 10. To James --location uncertain (1Corinthians 15:7)
 - 11. To the apostles (and others) during forty days prior to His ascension (Acts 1:2-3)
 - 12. At the Mt. of Olives near Bethany at His ascension (Luke 24:50-51, Acts 1:6-12)

- **B.** After His Ascension
 - 1. To Stephen the martyr (Acts 7:55-56)
 - 2. To Saul on road to Damascus (Acts 9:3-6,1Corinthians 15:8-9)
 - 3. To John on the island of Patmos (Revelation 1:9-19)

- C. Now bearing witness in heaven and interceding for the redeemed.
 - 1. At His incarnation The Word, God the Son, became flesh.
 - 2. At His resurrection His body was glorified, but He retained the scars (John 20:27).
 - 3. All Christians will have a heavenly body like Jesus' "glorious body" (Phlp 3:21).

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 - **4.** He will forever be the God-Man. There are three that bear witness in heaven: the <u>Father</u>, the <u>Word</u>, and the <u>Holy Spirit</u>; and these three are one. (**1John 5:7**)
 - 5. He is now in heaven in tangible form, we will see, hear, and touch Him. (I John 3:2, Rev. 21:3–4; 22:4, and Job 19:27)