

# I Am the Light of the World



John 8:12-30

# Jesus is Fully God & Fully Man

John 1:1

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God  
**and the Word was God.**

John 1:14

And the Word **became flesh and dwelt among us**, and we  
have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the  
Father, full of grace and truth.



## Jesus is the Light

John 1:4

In him was life, and the  
life was the Light of  
men.

# Belief in Jesus Brings Eternal Life

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.



God the Father sent  
God the Son to be  
Savior of the World

John 3:17

For God did not send  
his Son into the world  
to condemn the world,  
but in order that the  
world might be saved  
through him.





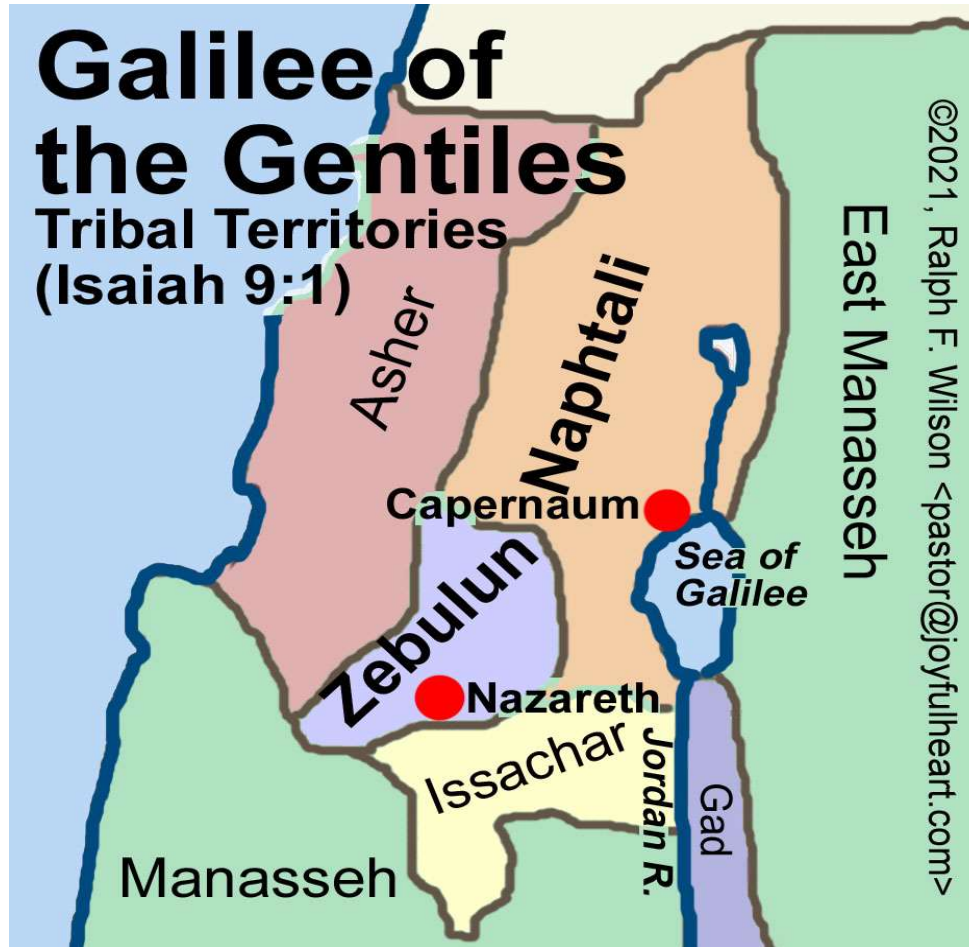
I AM WHO I AM

Exodus 3:13-14

Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them? <sup>14</sup>God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And he said, Say this to the people of Israel: I AM has sent me to you.’”

# Galilee of the Gentiles

Tribal Territories  
(Isaiah 9:1)



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## Matthew 5:14-16

*You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.  
15Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a  
stand, and it gives light to all in the house. 16In the same way, let  
your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works  
and give glory to your Father in heaven.*



# The Flow of Conversation

Pharisees: Your testimony is not true (vs 13). The Law states 2 witnesses are needed.

Jesus: My testimony is true (vs 14). I bear witness about myself and the Father who sent me bears witness about me (vs 18).

Jesus: I know where I came from and where I am going (vs 14).

Pharisees: Did not know where Jesus came from and where he was going (vs 14).

# The Flow of Conversation

Pharisees: Judge according to the flesh (vs 15).

Jesus: My judgment is true, for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me (vs 16).

Jesus: I am the one who bears witness about myself, and the Father who sent me bears witness about me (vs 18).

Pharisees: Where is your Father?

# Was God as Father a Common O.T. Concept?

Deuteronomy 32:6

Do you thus repay the LORD, you foolish and senseless people? Is not he your **father**, who created you, who made you and established you?

2 Samuel 7:13-14

He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his **father**, and he shall be my son.

## Was God as Father a Common O.T. Concept?

Jeremiah 3:19

I said, “How I would set you among my sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful of all nations. And I thought you would call me ‘**My Father**’ and would not turn from following me.”

Malachi 1:6

A son honors his father, and a servant his master. If then I am a **father**, where is the honor due me? ...says the Lord Almighty.

## Was God as Father a Common O.T. Concept?

Answer: Yes and No

The concept of God as Father was not new. However, what was new and radical was Jesus' use of the word Father in a way that demonstrated intimacy and a personal relationship.

John 2:16 ...Take these things away; do not make **my Father's** house a house of trade.

John 5:18 ...but he was even calling God his **own** Father, making himself equal with God.



Believe!

John 8:24

I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am ~~he~~ (I AM) you will die in your sins.

# The Relationship of the Father & the Son

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John 8:26-27

I have much to say to you and much to judge, but he who sent me is **true**, and I declare to the world that I have heard from him. <sup>27</sup>They did not understand that he had been speaking to them about the Father.

*True = not hidden, not concealed*

# The Relationship of the Father & the Son

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John 8:28-29

<sup>28</sup>So Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am ~~he~~ (I AM), and that I do nothing on my own authority, but speak just as the Father taught me.<sup>29</sup>And he who sent me is with me. He has not left me alone, for I always do the things that are pleasing to him."





## The Work of the Holy Spirit

John 8:30

As he was saying these things, many believed in him.