

"The Prequel to Christmas"

John 1:1-5, 14

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## Jesus claimed to be God throughout His ministry:

- In John 5:23, He said that the Father had given all judgment to the Son "so that all will honor the Son even as they honor the Father."
- In John 8:58, He asserted His eternal existence when He claimed,
   "Before Abraham was born, I am."
- In John 10:30 He asserted, "I and the Father are one."
- In John 14:9 He told Philip, "He who has seen Me has seen the Father." (Other Scriptures: Romans 9:5; Titus 2:13; 1 John 5:20)

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"For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist." Colossians 1:16-17



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"That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life—the life was manifested, and we have seen, and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us—" 1 John 1:1-2

"For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily" Colossians 2:9

"But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons." Galatians 4:4-5

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"What we celebrate at Christmas is not so much the birth of a baby, but the incarnation of God Himself." -R.C. SPROUL