

LESSON 20

WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

Memorize:

“And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness (Godhead): 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)

INTRODUCTION

Jesus Christ has been a controversial figure throughout history, not only because of what He taught and what He did, but also because of who He was. Jesus was not just a man. He was much more than just a man, for the scriptures reveal to us that Jesus Christ was God manifest (revealed) to us in the flesh. The importance of this revelation cannot be overemphasized because our salvation depends upon whether we believe the message of who He was and/or is.

This lesson is designed to give you a better understanding of the person of Jesus Christ by causing you to search the scriptures. *“Search the scriptures;...and they are they which testify of Me.” (John 5:39)*

A DIVINE REVELATION

1. Can the world understand who God is by their own wisdom? (*1 Corinthians 1:21*) _____
2. How did Peter know Jesus was the Christ (Messiah)? (*Matthew 16:13, 16-17*)

UNDERSTANDING THE GODHEAD (DEITY)

GOD IS ONE

1. According to *Romans 1:20*, is there any excuse for not understanding God's divine nature? _____

2. "Hear O Israel: The LORD our God is _____ LORD." (**Deuteronomy 6:4**)
3. Do the devils believe there is only one God? (**James 2:19**) _____
4. Is there another God beside Him in heaven? (**Deuteronomy 4:35**) _____
5. **Ephesians 4:5-6** says there is one _____, one _____, one _____, one _____ and (even) _____.

GOD IS A SPIRIT (God is a spirit and that divine spirit is: 1) Omniscient 2) Omnipotent 3) Eternal 4) Immutable)

1. **John 4:24** tells us, "God is a _____..."
2. Has any man seen God at any time? (**John 1:18**) _____
3. What would happen if you were to see God as He is? (**Exodus 33:20**) _____

God is an invisible spirit. No man can see God in his heavenly form. He can only reveal Himself in an earthly visible form lest we die. In the New Testament, people saw the image or person of God. Who was that image? (**Colossians 1:14-15; Hebrews 1:2-3**) _____

4. How many Spirits of God are there? (**Ephesians 4:4; 1 Corinthians 12:13**) _____

According to **2 Corinthians 3:17**, who is that Spirit? _____

5. God is called a Spirit because He is not confined to one body or one place, but fills heaven and earth.

Can we ever get away from God's presence? (**Psalms 139:7-9**)

GOD REVEALED AS THE FATHER IN JESUS CHRIST

1. "In the beginning _____ created the heaven and the earth." (**Genesis 1:1**)
2. Was anyone with God when He created the heavens and earth? _____
Did God create the world by Himself? _____ (**Isaiah 44:24, 45:18; Nehemiah 9:6**)
3. "Have we not all _____ Father? Hath not _____ God created us?" (**Malachi 2:10**)
4. Jesus was in the world and the world was made by whom? (**John 1:10**)

GOD REVEALED AS THE HOLY SPIRIT IN JESUS CHRIST

1. Before Jesus ascended into heaven, He told His disciples that the Comforter would come in His place. Who is the Comforter? (**John 14:18**) _____
2. What is the mystery that has been hid from ages? (**Colossians 1:26-27**)

3. Who abides in us? (**1 John 3:23-24**) _____
4. Who lives in us? (**Galatians 2:20**) _____

The Holy Ghost, the Spirit of the Son and the Spirit of the Father are synonymous (having the same meaning).

COMMENTS

Whether God is manifested as the Father, the source of all things, or the Son as our Savior or the Holy Ghost in the heart of the believer; it does not make Him three eternal Gods. It is only revealing the different functions or manifestations of the one true God to bring about salvation.

THE NAMES OF GOD

1. It was not until **Exodus 6:3** that God became known as _____.

Jehovah means “self-existent one.” *Jehovah* comes from the four Hebrew letters YHVH. Every time YHVH is used in the original Old Testament writings, it is translated into either *Jehovah* or LORD in our Bibles. Sometimes a suffix was added to YHVH to describe a part of God’s character.

<i>JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU</i>	“Jehovah our righteousness”
<i>JEHOVAH-M’KADDESH</i>	“Jehovah who sanctifies”
<i>JEHOVAH-SHALOM</i>	“Jehovah is peace”
<i>JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH</i>	“Jehovah is there”
<i>JEHOVAH-ROPHE</i>	“Jehovah heals”
<i>JEHOVAH-JIREH</i>	“Jehovah’s provision shall be seen”
<i>JEHOVAH-NISSI</i>	“Jehovah my banner”
<i>JEHOVAH-ROHI</i>	“Jehovah my shepherd”

2. But eventually, the names of God will become _____. (**Zechariah 14:9**)
3. In the New Testament, an angel appeared to Joseph and told him to name the child born to Mary, _____. (**Matthew 1:20-21**)

Why was He named Jesus? _____

4. Jesus is a Greek name. When translated to Hebrew, it is *Joshua*. *Joshua* means "The Lord is my salvation" (*Jehovah-Savior*).

Is there any other Savior besides God Himself? (*Isaiah 43:10-11*) _____

5. Read ***Philippians 2:9-11***. The name of Jesus is _____ every name.

Paul said, "That at the _____ of _____ every knee should bow...and that _____ should _____ that Jesus Christ is Lord..."

Did the LORD (*Jehovah*) also say this about Himself in ***Isaiah 45:21-23***? _____

6. Can we be saved by any other name? (***Acts 4:12***) _____
7. Is Jesus the name of the Father according to ***John 5:43***? _____
8. Is Jesus the name of the Holy Ghost according to ***John 14:26***? _____
9. What is the name (singular) of all three manifestations of God (Father, Son and Holy Ghost)? (***Matthew 28:19; Acts 2:38***) _____

THE DUAL NATURE OF JESUS CHRIST

Jesus is sometimes referred to as the God-man because He was all God and He was also all man. As God, He said in ***John 10:30***, "I and My Father are one." However, as man, He said, "My Father is greater than I." (***John 14:28***)

After each reference below, list those things that Jesus did as a man:

Matthew 1:23-25 _____
Matthew 21:17-18 _____
John 4:6-7 _____
John 11:32-35 _____
John 19:3-33 _____

After each reference below, list those things that Jesus did as God:

Mark 4:37-41 _____
John 14:6 _____
Mark 2:5-7 _____
Luke 9:12-17 _____
Luke 24:1-6 _____

SOME TITLES OF JEHOVAH AND JESUS COMPARED

List the titles given to *JEHOVAH* in the following verses:

1. **Genesis 17:1** _____
2. **Exodus 3:14-16** _____
3. **Isaiah 44:6** _____

List the titles given to *JESUS* in the following verses:

1. **Revelation 1:8** _____
2. **John 8:58** _____
3. **Revelation 1:8** _____

JESUS EXISTED BEFORE BETHLEHEM

1. By what name did God identify Himself in **Exodus 3:14**? _____

2. Jesus told the Jews in **John 8:58**, "Before Abraham was, _____."
3. Micah foretold that out of Bethlehem would come a ruler whose origins are from _____, from _____. (**Micah 5:2**)

Who was born in Bethlehem? (**Matthew 2:1**) _____

DIFFICULT QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Confusing questions have been asked by those who believe that the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit are separate persons. Here are some of those questions...

1. Who surrendered the life of Jesus Christ?
 - a. **John 3:16** _____
 - b. **John 10:11** _____
 - c. **Titus 2:13-14** _____
2. Who raised Jesus from the dead?
 - a. **Hebrews 13:20** _____
 - b. **Romans 6:4** _____
 - c. **John 2:19** _____
 - d. **Romans 8:11** _____

3. Who is in us?

a. **Acts 2:38**

b. **Colossians 1:27**

c. **Ephesians 4:6**

SUMMARY

The last book of the Bible contains the **Revelation of Jesus Christ** written by the Apostle John. The word “revelation” means *the unveiling*. The veil that kept His identity hid was His flesh: “*By a new and living way, which He hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, His flesh... (Hebrews 10:20)*”. When Jesus returns the second time, the whole earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord. He will not return as the suffering Savior, but as Lord of Lords and King of Kings. **Zechariah 14:9** states: “*And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and His name one.*” Everyone will know He is God and everyone will know His name in that day.

*“Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended?
Who hath gathered the wind in His fists?
Who hath bound the waters in a garment?
Who hath established all the ends of the earth?
WHAT IS HIS NAME, AND WHAT IS HIS SON’S NAME,
IF THOU CANST TELL?”
(Proverbs 30:4)*

“...AND THOU SHALT CALL HIS NAME JESUS...”
(Matthew 1:21)

**NOTES:
QUESTIONS/COMMENTS**