

# Christian Fellowship Center Foundation Series

*"If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?" Ps 11:3*

**Kingdom Living Series  
UNIT: Doctrines of Christ**

## **Part 4: Doctrine of Christ Jesus: fully God and fully man**

**Therefore, leaving the discussion of the elementary principles of Christ, let us go on to perfection, not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of the doctrine of baptisms, of laying on of hands, of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. And this we will do if God permits.**

**-Hebrews 6:1-3**

### **1. Jesus is the Christ (Messiah)**

Anointed One

- The anointing represented one who was chosen for royalty
- David was also one who was anointed with oil. He was anointed to be King of Israel.
- He was an example of Jesus to come.

### **The one coming**

John 1:41 *"The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ).."*

- They were looking for the Christ, or the Messiah.
- He was foretold in the Scriptures
  - \*The Jews thought Jesus would be a different type of King than he was.

## Messiah's Purpose Foretold

Isaiah 53

- Purpose to take away sin
- Purpose to oppressed
- Purpose to justify
- Purpose to be raised immortal
- Purpose to be without sin

## Chosen before the creation of the world

1 Peter 1:18-21 *"For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, 19but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. 20He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. 21Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God."*

- God chose Jesus before the world was created
- Jesus fulfilled the purpose of the Messiah: the spotless lamb
- Chosen, spoken of, but not revealed until the last days

## 2. Jesus is God: Divine

Theios: of God

### Divine in origin

Isaiah 7:14 *"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."*

- Born not with an earthly father but of divine conception
- Also referred to as the immaculate conception

Immanuel means: God with us

- The very name of Jesus means that God is now with and among the human race

## Divine in Claim

John 8:58 *"I tell you the truth," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"*

- Jesus, by calling himself "I am", is referring to himself as God

Exodus 3:14 *"14 God said to Moses, "I am who I am . This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you.' "*

- This passage is when Moses asked God what His name is
- God replied with His name as the "I AM".
- I AM: hayah: to exist: to always be
- Since Jesus is claiming to "always be" he is claiming to be God, who has no beginning and no end
- Man cannot make this claim
- Only God and liars can make this claim

## Divine in Worship

Matthew 4:10 *"Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.' "*

- Only should be worshiped
- Even angels will not allow men to worship them
- That which allows worship is claiming to be God or equal to God

John 9:35-38 *"Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him."*

- Jesus does not stop the man from worshipping Him
- The act of Jesus not stopping the man is a sign that Jesus was God and was a rightful recipient of the same worship that God receives

## Divine in Authority

Matthew 28:18 *"Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."*

#### Miracles

Matthew 10:1 *"He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness."*

- Jesus has the authority over disease, sickness, and demons

#### Sin

Mark 2:5 *"When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."*

- Jesus has the authority to take away sin

#### Divine through Scripture

Colossians 2:8-9 *"See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form,"*

- Not part, but the fullness of God is in Christ
- Scripture states that Christ is God in bodily form
- John 1:1-3, John 1:14, 1 Timothy 3:16, Titus 2:13

### 3. Son of Man: Jesus is also a human

Anthrōpos: a human being

Philippians 2:5-8 *"Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."*

- Jesus is God, but emptied Himself
- God took the form of men

-In this appearance, he was an example of obedience to God

-Went to the cross as a man

#### Man with God's authority

Mark 2:10 *"But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins . . ."*

- The name Jesus used to describe himself
- Demonstrated that Christ was a man with God's authority

#### Son of Man foretold

Daniel 7:13-14 *"In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed."*

- Jesus was special.
- Foretold what this special human would do
- The Ancient of Days is God

#### Flesh

John 1:14 *"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,"*

- The Word is the "logos" of God: the fullness of God  
Referring to Christ
- Became flesh: mortal
- Suffered the death that all men are destined for  
He is raised and is the first fruits of the resurrection

### 4. Reasons for God becoming a man

#### Salvation

Romans 5:12-20

- Death entered through Adam because of Sin
- Salvation came through Jesus

-He took the form of a man to be a sin offering for us

### **Resurrection**

1 Corinthians 15:20-23 *“But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him.”*

- Because Christ rose from the dead so can we
- If He didn't then we won't
- If He can't then we can't

### **Example in life**

Hebrews 2:17-18 *“For this reason he had to be made like his brothers in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for[a]the sins of the people. Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.”*

- Jesus as a man suffered every temptation we suffer
- He overcame, and with His power so can we

### **Example in relationship**

John 5:19 *“Jesus gave them this answer: “I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.”*

- If we know Jesus then we know God
- Jesus only did what He saw God doing
- He acted as God acted: if we act like Christ then we will act the way God acts
- Our life will be modeled after God's

## **5. Religion: Cornerstone is Christ**

1 John 2:22-23 *“Who is the liar? It is the man who denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a man is the antichrist—he denies the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.”*

- Any religion or person that does not acknowledge that Jesus is the Messiah: the only way to salvation and the true gospel is operating in the spirit of the Anti-Christ
- Some will acknowledge that Jesus existed and is one way to salvation
- Christianity is the only religion that says Christ is the ONLY way
- Anything that says there is another way to heaven other than Jesus is from Satan