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### 8.2 Christ the Mediator

The Son of God, the second person of the Holy Trinity, is truly and eternally God. He is the brightness of the Father's glory, having the same substance and equal with him who made the world and who sustains and governs everything he has made. When the fullness of time came, he took upon himself human nature, with all the essential properties and common weaknesses of it<sup>9</sup>

but without sin.<sup>10</sup>

He was conceived by the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary. The Holy Spirit came down upon her, and the power of the Most High overshadowed her. Thus, he was born of a woman from the tribe of Judah, a descendant of Abraham and David in fulfillment of the Scriptures.<sup>11</sup>

Two whole, perfect, and distinct natures were inseparably joined together in one person, without converting one into the other or mixing them together to produce a different or blended nature. This person is truly God and truly man, yet one Christ, the only mediator between God and humanity.<sup>12</sup>

<sup>9</sup>John 1:14; Galatians 4:4.

<sup>10</sup>Romans 8:3; Hebrews 2:14, 16, 17; Hebrews 4:15.

<sup>11</sup>Matthew 1:22, 23; Luke 1:27, 31, 35.

<sup>12</sup>Romans 9:5; 1 Timothy 2:5.

## Scripture Proofs

<sup>9</sup>**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.

**Galatians 4:4** But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law...

<sup>10</sup>**Romans 8:3** For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,

**Hebrews 2:14, 16, 17** Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil... For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

**Hebrews 4:15** For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

<sup>11</sup>**Matthew 1:22-23** All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel"

**Luke 1:27, 31, 35** to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. And the angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy—the Son of God.

<sup>12</sup>**Romans 9:5** To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen.

**1 Timothy 2:5** For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus...