Bible Doctrines II Falls International Baptist Institute Class Three

The Doctrine of Christ

Introduction: We have studied the 1). The Pre-Existence of Christ, and 2). The Virgin-Birth of Christ. In this lesson, we will study 3). The Deity of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I. THE DEITY OF JESUS CHRIST

A. **Revealed in His Nativity**:

- 1. Isaiah 9:6-7 "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counseller, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this."
- 2. Luke 1:35 says "And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God."
- 3. Isaiah 7:14 and Matthew 1:23 "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."

B. Revealed in His Names:

- 1. <u>Emmanuel God with us!</u> Matthew 1:23 "Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us."
- 2. <u>Christ, The Son of God</u> Matthew 16:16 "And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God."
- 3. <u>God</u> Hebrews 1:8 "But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom." Titus 2:13 "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ."
- 4. <u>Lord</u> In Luke 6:46, Jesus said "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" And then, notice John 20:28 where doubting Thomas uses the same name to say "And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God."

C. Revealed in His Nature:

- 1. <u>He was Omnipotent: All Powerful</u>. In Matthew 28:18, the Bible says "And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth."
 - a. Christ had Power over Disease: Matthew 8:1-3 "When he was come down from the mountain, great multitudes followed him. And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean. And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed." Luke 4:39 says "And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever; and it left her: and immediately she arose and ministered unto them."
 - b. Christ had Power over Demons: Matthew 8:16 "When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils: and he cast out the spirits with his word..." Luke 4:32-35 says "And they were astonished at his doctrine: for his word was with power. And in the synagogue there was a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and cried out with a loud voice, Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God. And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst, he came out of him, and hurt him not."
 - c. Christ had Power over Men: Matthew 9:9 "And as Jesus passed forth from thence, he saw a man, named Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom: and he saith unto him, Follow me. And he arose, and followed him." John 17:2 says "As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him."
 - d. Christ had Power over Nature: Matthew 8:24-27 says "And, behold, there arose a great tempest in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves: but he was asleep. And his disciples came to him, and awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish. And he saith unto them, Why are ye fearful, O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm. But the men marvelled, saying, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey him!"
 - e. Christ had Power over Sin: Matthew 9:1-8 "And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and came into his own city. And, behold, they brought to him a man sick of the palsy, lying on a bed: and Jesus seeing their faith said unto the sick of the palsy; Son, be of good cheer; thy sins be

forgiven thee. And, behold, certain of the scribes said within themselves, This man blasphemeth. And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore think ye evil in your hearts? For whether is easier, to say, Thy sins be forgiven thee; or to say, Arise, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house. And he arose, and departed to his house. But when the multitudes saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men."

f. Christ had Power over Death:

- Luke 7:12-16 "Now when he came nigh to the gate of the city, behold, there was a dead man carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow: and much people of the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her, Weep not. And he came and touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still. And he said, Young man, I say unto thee, Arise. And he that was dead sat up, and began to speak. And he delivered him to his mother. And there came a fear on all: and they glorified God, saying, That a great prophet is risen up among us; and, That God hath visited his people."
- Luke 8:49-56 "While he yet spake, there cometh one from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master. But when Jesus heard it, he answered him, saying, Fear not: believe only, and she shall be made whole. And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden. And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said, Weep not; she is not dead, but sleepeth. And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead. And he put them all out, and took her by the hand, and called, saying, Maid, arise. And her spirit came again, and she arose straightway: and he commanded to give her meat. And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done."
- John 11: The story of Lazarus In verse 25 of this account, Jesus said "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."
- Luke 24:5-6 "And as they were afraid, and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek

ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee." Christ is the only Man in history Who had the power to raise Himself from the dead! That's Omnipotence and that proves His Deity!

- 1. <u>He was Omniscient: All Knowing</u>. John 2:24-25 says "But Jesus did not commit himself unto them, because he knew all men." In John 16:30, we read "Now are we sure that thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee: by this we believe that thou camest forth from God."
 - a. He knew the whereabouts of Nathaniel: John 1:48-49 "Nathanael saith unto him, Whence knowest thou me? Jesus answered and said unto him, Before that Philip called thee, when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee. Nathanael answered and saith unto him, Rabbi, thou art the Son of God; thou art the King of Israel."
 - b. He knew that Judas would betray Him: John 6:70-71 "Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil? He spake of Judas Iscariot the son of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve." John 13 records several times that Jesus knew that Judas Iscariot was about to betray Him.
 - c. He knew the hearts of those He preached to: Matthew 12:25a said "And Jesus knew their thoughts". Luke 5:22 says "But when Jesus perceived their thoughts..."
 - d. He knew the history of the Samaritan woman: John 4:17-18, 39 "The woman answered and said, I have no husband. Jesus said unto her, Thou hast well said, I have no husband: For thou hast had five husbands; and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband: in that saidst thou truly... Come, see a man, which told me all things that ever I did: is not this the Christ?"

3. <u>He was Omnipresent: Everywhere at the same time.</u>

- a. Matthew 28:20 says "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen."
- b. John 3:13 says "And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven."
- c. John 14:20 "At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you."

D. Revealed in the New Testament:

- 1. The Testimony of Stephen: Acts 7:59 "And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."
- 2. The Testimony of the Ethiopian Eunuch: Acts 8:37 "And he answered and said, I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

- 3. Galatians 2:20 "I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me."
- 4. Colossians 1:13-17 "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist."
- 5. Colossians 2:9 "For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily."
- 6. I Timothy 3:16 "And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: 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."
- 7. Titus 2:13 "Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ."
- 8. I Peter 3:21-22 "The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him."
- 9. II Peter 1:17 "For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."
- 10. Jude 25 "To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen."
- 11. James 2:21 "My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons."
- 12. I John 5:20 "And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life."
- 13. Revelation 1:8 "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."
- 14. Revelation 19:16 "And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."