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3. WHO IS JESUS?

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Bible Study on Jesus Christ

Meaning of Jesus

- Iēsous in the Greek of the New Testament
- Translation of the Hebrew Yěhowshuwa`, which is a combination of 2 Hebrew words:
 - ▣ the name of God “Yahwe”, meaning “the existing One, the life giver”
 - ▣ and “yasha`” meaning “to save, to deliver, to give victory to, to liberate, to save from sin”
- Hebrew name for Jesus “Yěhowshuwa`” means “Yahwe is salvation” or “Yahwe saves”.

Meaning of Christ

- Christ in the Greek of the New Testament is "Christos" meaning "anointed" in the sense of "consecrated"
- Same as the Hebrew word "Mashiyach" for Messiah.
- Christ and Messiah have the same meaning

Genealogy of Jesus

- Descendant of Adam through his son Seth
- Descendant of Noah through his son Shem
- Descendant of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Judah and King David through His mother Mary
- His mother Mary was a virgin and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.
- He did not have a human father; His Father is God and this makes Him the Son of God.

Birth of Jesus

Matthew 1:18-21- “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit. Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not wanting to make her a public example, was minded to put her away secretly. But while he thought about these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take to you Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.”

Jesus' Divinity Attested

Matthew 1: 22-23 – “So all this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the Lord through the prophet, saying: ‘Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,’ which is translated, ‘God with us’.”

- He is both human and God; He is God who came and dwelled among us.
- The Old Testament name Immanuel for Jesus was meant to be one of the many clues given by God to the Israelites that would help them identify the coming promised Messiah.

WHAT IS JESUS LIKE?

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Character of Jesus

Isaiah 11:2

"The Spirit of the Lord will rest on him: the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of power, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord."

- Character of wisdom and understanding
- Character of counsel and might
- Character of knowledge and respect and reverence for God

Character of Jesus

Colossians 3:12

“As the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, gentleness, patience”

1 Timothy 6:11

“Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, gentleness”

Character of Jesus

Galatians 5:22-23

“The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.”

WHY DID JESUS COME?
WHAT WERE JESUS'
PURPOSE AND MISSION?

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He shows us the Father

John 10:30 - "I and My Father are one."

John 14:10 - "Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works."

- People of the Old Testament did not know God the Father, we know Him now through Jesus.

Jesus' Mission

Isa 61:1 - Luke 4:18-19

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,
Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to
the poor;
He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to the captives
And recovery of sight to the blind,
To set at liberty those who are shattered;
To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”

Meaning

- The Spirit of the Lord is upon Jesus:
 - ▣ Spirit: Gr. Pneuma = breath, life giving force
- The Spirit of the Lord anointed Jesus to preach the gospel to the poor:
 - ▣ The poor are those who are hungry and thirsty for the Word of God, those who are needy and recognize their need for God, those who recognize that they can find richness and treasures only in God
- He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted:
 - ▣ The brokenhearted are those in whose life satan stole, killed and destroyed

Meaning

- To proclaim liberty to the captives:
 - ▣ The captives are those who are kept from the Truth and are in bondage to sin and to sickness and disease.
- And recovery of sight to the blind:
 - ▣ The blind are those who are in darkness and cannot see the Truth and understand the things of God
- To set at liberty those who are shattered:
 - ▣ Those who are shattered are those who live in bondage to the hell of their past, the hell of their pain and the hell of all the destruction that satan brought into their life

Meaning

- To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord:
 - ▣ The acceptable year of the Lord in the Old Testament is the year of Jubilee - a year of joy
 - ▣ It occurred every 50th year
 - ▣ All slaves were released from bondage and prisoners were released from prison, the land returned to the original owners and all debts were forgiven, etc.
 - ▣ Leviticus 25

Undo the Works of Satan

John 10:10

“The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly”

Undo the Works of Satan

- Jesus gave people hope that it is possible to come out of bondage to the enemy and showed them The Way
- Jesus helped reconcile the people with God the Father through repentance of sin and spiritual transformation
- Jesus restored people's life by bringing Knowledge and Truth to them
- Jesus freed many from bondage to satan by:
 - ▣ Forgiving the sins of those who were sorry and repented
 - ▣ Performing many miracles of healing - See our "Miracles of Jesus Chart"
- Jesus opened the door for the Gentiles to come into God's Kingdom and have a chance at salvation

Jesus our Savior

John 4:42

Then they said to the woman, “Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world”

- Jesus came to save us from the mess we made with our life
- or from the mess that others made in our life
- or both

Jesus came to save us!

Second Part

- How were people saved before Jesus
 - ▣ OT Animal Sacrifices
- Why and how can we be saved through Jesus
 - ▣ NT Sacrifice of Jesus on the cross
 - ▣ How did Jesus redeem us
- How can we appropriate what Jesus has done for us
- How can we approach God through Jesus

Thank you for watching the first part of this video

We hope that you were blessed by this teaching

See you in the second and last part of this class!

God bless you!

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