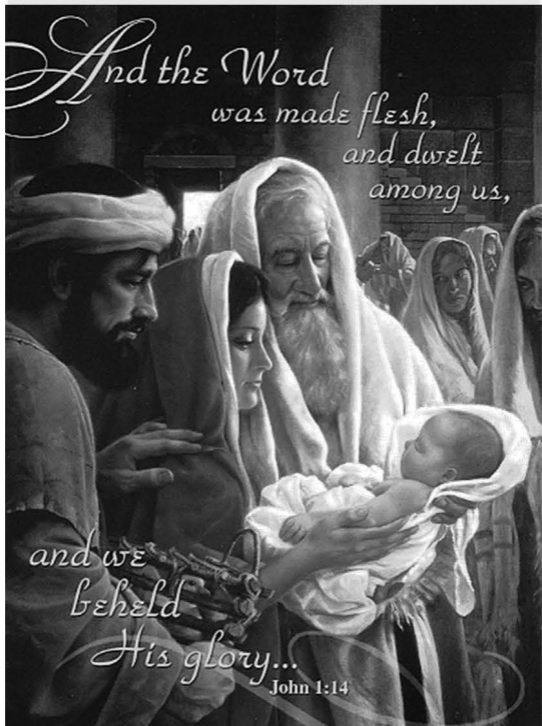


The Mighty God In Christ



*And without controversy great is the
mystery of godliness: **God was mani-
fest 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

Who is Jesus Christ?

This is one of the most important questions you will ever find the answer to.

Jesus asked His disciples in Matthew 16:15, "*Whom say ye that I am?*".

Is He a prophet? Yes, but He is much more than that

Is He the Messiah? Yes, but He is even much more than even that!

The Hebrews awaited a Messiah who would be a man anointed by God and come in splendor as a deliverer. The Modern day Maimonides theory imagines that the Messiah will be a learned, charismatic leader, greater than any other in man's history. A social and political genius surpassing all others, who, by using the vast communication networks now at our disposal, will spread his message to all and change the very fabric of our society and world.

In their looking forward to a Messiah they could understand and comprehend they overlooked the scriptures concerning how God would one day come himself as that Moshiach. Genesis 9:26-27 speaks of the God of Shem who will one day dwell in the tents of Shem. This was a messianic utterance because if you trace the lineage of Jesus Christ he was a fleshly descendant of Shem!

As we diligently compare Old and New Testament Scriptures, we find that not only was He was the long awaited Messiah but also he was God himself manifested in the flesh of that Messiah (I Timothy 3:16)

To the Hebrew scholar, The pivotal text of the Old Testament is Deuteronomy 6:4-9, the shema, and declares to all that there is only One God.

Jews have a very hard time accepting the trinitarian teaching embraced by much of Christianity today and with good reason, The Torah, or what we refer to as the Old Testament declares that there is only one God who rules from heaven by himself.

There is none beside him!

According to John 4:23, God is a Spirit. And spirits do not exist in the realm of flesh and bones (Luke 24:39)

Who is Jesus?

He is God with us (Isaiah 7:14).

He is the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father (Isaiah 9:6).

He is the One Who created us (Genesis 1:1; Malachi 2:10; John 1:3).

While Jesus Christ was God on the inside, He was also man the outside (*spirit and flesh*).

This is called the mystery of Godliness: *God was manifest in the flesh* (I Timothy 3:16).

As a man, He hungered, slept, was weary, and wept.

As God He fed the 5,000, healed the sick, raised the dead and caused the blind to see.

Great confusion is created by those who forget that Jesus was both God and man.

Jesus Christ was fully God and fully man!

The scriptures themselves point us to the revelation of the Mighty God in Christ!

God is the Creator; Jesus is the Creator.

God is the Savior and Redeemer; Jesus is the Savior and Redeemer.

God is the Shepherd; Jesus is the Shepherd.

God is the King; Jesus is the King.

God is the I AM, and the I AM HE; Jesus is the I AM, and the I AM HE.

God is the First and the Last; Jesus is the First and the Last.

God is the Rock; Jesus is the Rock.

God is Coming; Jesus is Coming.

The importance of the identity of Jesus Christ cannot be stressed too much.

The Pharisees asked Him in John 8:19-24, *"Where is thy Father?"* Jesus answered, *"Ye neither know me, nor my Father: if ye had known me ye should have known my Father ,* He went on to tell them that *"if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your sins"*.

Philip, one of the disciples, said to Him, *"Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us."* Jesus responded, *"Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then. Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake"* (John 14:8-11).

The Father (John 4:23, 24), was in the Son (Galatians 4:4). Thus, it there are not two separate persons, but GOD (the Spirit) MANIFEST IN THE FLESH (the body) (I Timothy 3:16).

The Apostle Paul writes that "God (*the Spirit*) was in Christ (*the body*) reconciling the world unto himself" (II Corinthians 5:19).

Who is Jesus?

He was the Mighty God and the Everlasting Father according to the Prophet Isaiah (Isaiah 9:6).

He willingly left heaven's splendor and came to this earth in the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men (Philippians 2:5-8)

In that likeness of man he became the final sacrifice for our sins. (John 1:29)

The Apostle Paul reveals this truth concerning God in Ephesians 4:5-6:

"One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all."

A story is told about a man named Andrew Bahr, who drove a great herd of reindeer across the Alaskan wilderness. During the long trek, a frenzied helper came to him one winter day crying that they were lost. Andy glared witheringly at the speaker, then at the others around him. At length, smiting his chest, he roared, "You men can see me, can't you?" They nodded, not understanding what he was driving at. "Well," he went on, "as long as you can see me, your not lost."

In the confusion and myriads of religions around us we are not lost so long as we can see the Christ.

Jesus said in John 8:12—*I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.*

Even today Jesus ever says, "Follow me" to all who will heed his call.

In John chapter 16 Jesus spoke of the Spirit of Truth which was to come which would lead you into all truth.

On the day of Pentecost that spirit of truth was released and came to man in the form of the Holy Spirit is today waiting to give you power today through the infilling of His Spirit, and when that Spirit is come to you, he will lead you into all truth.

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Isaiah 45:21 Matthew 1:21-23

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Psalms 23 John 10:8-12

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Jeremiah 10:10 Matthew 2:1-6

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Exodus 3:13-14 John 8:23-24

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Isaiah 43:10-11 Revelations 1:17

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Deuteronomy 32:1-4 1 Peter 2:5-8

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Zechariah 14 1 Thessalonians 3

In Jesus Christ Dwells ALL the Fullness of the Godhead Bodily *Colossians 2:9*

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