

The Life of Christ

General Introduction:

This series is a study of the Life of Christ. Our primary text throughout the series will be the Book of Luke, the only one of the four Gospels written in strict chronological order.

This Week:

Because the Life of Christ does not start at Bethlehem!

Jesus Christ as Eternal God, 2nd Person of the Trinity, Survey of Old Testament pre-incarnations of Jesus, “the Dispatched of YHWH”

Next Week:

Trail of Prophecies of the Redeemer and/or the Messiah

PART ONE: Eternal Deity of Jesus Christ

John 1:1-18

V. 1-5, 14-15 Essential verses – eternity and deity of Jesus

V. 9-13 Redemption of Mankind

V, 6-8, 16-18 Positive identification through designated witness prophet, John the Baptist

John 8:56-59 Jesus declares himself to be eternal, and directly identifies himself as/with God
(V. 31-59 Full context – same topic, a good read!)

V. 58 Essential verse – eternity and deity of Jesus

PART TWO: Pre-Incarnations of Jesus Christ – “Christophanies”

(Compared vs. “Theophanies” Exodus 3:1-14 [burning bush], 13:21-22 [pillar of cloud/fire])

John 1:18 Essential verse – “No one has seen God...but the begotten One of God

Revelation 22:8-9, Matthew 4:9-10 Essential verses – Not to worship angels, only God

Example Passages:

Genesis 3:8 Are Adam and Eve anyone?

Genesis 18:1 Is Abraham anyone?

Genesis 32:24-32 Is Jacob/Israel anyone?

Joshua 5:13-15 Holy Ground

Judges 2:1-5 Appearing physical to the nation, just before death of Joshua

Judges 6:11-12, 17-24 Especially notice the accepted offering