

## Practical Theology – Lesson 16 – “God the Son”

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#### The Eternal Nature of Jesus Christ

John 1:1-5, 10-14 (1-34)

Philippians 2:5-7 – the ‘kenosis’ or ‘emptying’

#### Christophanies – Pre-Bethlehem incarnations of God as a man

Genesis 3:8-9 – Identified as Jehovah Elohim, understood as preincarnate Jesus Christ – ‘Christophany’

Genesis 18:1-2 – Identified as Jehovah, understood to be a Christophany

Genesis 23:10-11 – Uses ‘Angel of the Lord’ term always understood to be God, not ‘one of’ His angels (text is the Abraham’s sacrifice of Isaac)

Judges 13:21-22 (13:1-25) – Promise and birth of Samson (‘Angel of the Lord’) – compare to Revelation 22:8-9 the angel rejects the worship of John.

#### The Name of Jesus Christ

- Jesus means ‘Savior’ – Luke 1:30-33 (26-35, also Matthew 2:22-25)
- Christ is Greek, as Messiah is Hebrew for ‘Anointed’, i.e. designated to be King
- Immanuel means ‘God with us’ (Matthew 2:23, Isaiah 7:14)
- “the Lamb” by John the Baptist, and throughout Revelation
- “the Word” in John 1 and Revelation 19
- King of Kings and Lord of Lords – Revelation 17:14 (also 19:16)
- His own name – not yet revealed Revelation 19:11-13

#### The Birth of Jesus Christ

Matthew 1:16 (1-17, also Luke 3:23-38) Genealogy of Jesus through Joseph

#### The Baptism of Jesus Christ

Matthew 3:13-17 Jesus declared to be the Son of God and to have pleased God

#### The Transfiguration (before His Crucifixion)

Matthew 17:1-5 (also Mark 9, Luke 9)

#### The Crucifixion

Matthew 26-27 (also in Mark, Luke, John)

#### The Resurrection

Matthew 28 (and commission, also in Mark, Luke, John)

#### Jesus Sends the Spirit

John 14:16, 16:7, 12-13

#### The Ascension, Return, and Reign of Jesus Christ

Acts 1:9-11, Revelation 19:11, 20:4 (19:11-20:7)