The Gospel of John: That You Might Believe "The Identity Of Jesus"

(John 1)

Introduction:

- 1. The book of John was written with the intent of proving the identity of Jesus.
- 2. On at least five separate occasions, people asked the question, "Who is this man?" (Mt. 21:10; Luke 5:21, 7:49; 9:9; John 5:12).
- 3. As we begin the gospel of John, let us examine who John says Jesus was.

I. He Is The "Word"

- A. (John 1:1).
- B. (John 1:14).
- C. (1 John 1:1; Hebrews 4:12; Revelation 19:13).
- C. Why refer to Him as the "Word?"
 - 1. Words are used to communicate.
 - 2. God communicated to us through Jesus (Hebrews 1:1-2).

II. He Is God

- A. (John 1:1).
- B. Jesus was more than just a man; he was more than a prophet; he was God in the flesh.
- C. (Matthew 1:21) Immanuel.
- D. (Philippians 2:5).
- E. (Colossians 2:9; John 1:14).
- F. Called the "Son of God."
 - 1. With reference to his virgin birth (Mt. 1:21).
 - 2. Hebraism meaning "sameness of nature" (John 3:14; 1 Thess. 5:5; Eph. 5:6; Mark 3:17)

III. He Is The Creator

- A. (John 1:3).
- B. (Colossians 1:15; Hebrews 1:2).
- C. (Genesis 1:1, 26).
- Co-operation existed and continues to exist in the Godhead.
 - 1. With reference to creation.
 - 2. With reference to redemption.

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"These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name"

(John 20:31).

Responses To

The Identity of Jesus

- The Identity of Jesus
- The Woman at the Well
- The Believing Nobleman
- The Jews
- · The Five Thousand
- · The Adulterous Woman
- The Blind Man
- Lazarus
- Pilate
- Thomas
- Peter

The Fourfold Witness

- John The Baptist
- The Works of Jesus
- · The Father
- The Scriptures

The Claims of Jesus

- · I Am The Bread of Life
- I Am The Light of the World
- I Am The Door
- I Am The Good Shepherd
- I Am The Resurrection and Life
- I Am The Way, Truth, & Life
- I Am The True Vine

Today's Lessons:

- A.M. The Identity of Jesus
- P.M. The Fourfold Witness: John the Baptist

IV. He Is Our Redeemer

- A. (John 1:12).
- B. (John 1:29).
- C. (Colossians 1:20) Reconciliation and peace have been obtained by the blood shed on the cross.
- D. (Hebrews 9:26) He appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Conclusion:

- 1. Who is this man?
- 2. He is God in the flesh, our Creator and Redeemer.
- 3. Proof of those claims are established throughout the book of John, and the rest of the Bible for that matter.
- 4. Now the question is, "What will you do with Jesus?"