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# The Deity of Jesus Christ II

Colossians 1:13–17

*(Continuation of Sunday Mornings Message.)*

## **B. JESUS CHRIST POSSESSES THE OFFICES OF GOD:**

### **1. He Is The Creator Of The Universe.**

See: John 1:3; Hebrews 1:10.

Colossians 1:13–16

**13** Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: **14** In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: **15** Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: **16** For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

## **2. He Is The Sustainer Of The Universe.**

Colossians 1:17 **17** And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

### **C. JESUS CHRIST EXERCISED THE PREROGATIVES OF DEITY:**

**1. He Forgave Sin** — Matthew 9:2-8; Mark 2:5,10,11.

**2. He Gave Eternal Life** — John 10:28; 17:2.

**3. He Raised The Dead** — John 11:43,44.

**4. He Will Execute Supreme Judgment** — John 5:22,27; II

Timothy 4:1.

### **D. JESUS CHRIST IS IDENTIFIED AS THE OLD TESTAMENT JEHOVAH:**

Certain things said of the LORD [Jehovah] in the Old Testament are also said of the Lord Jesus Christ in the New Testament. The following table will show some of these comparisons:

<u>STATEMENT</u>	<u>OLD TESTAMENT</u>	<u>NEW TESTAMENT</u>
	<b>JEHOVAH</b>	<b>JESUS</b>
Tempted by Israel	<i>Numbers 21:16</i>	<i>I Corinthians 10:9</i>
The Shepherd	<i>Psalms 23:1</i>	<i>John 10:11; I Peter 2:25; 5:4</i>
Lead captivity captive	<i>Psalms 68:18</i>	<i>Ephesians 4:8-10</i>
The Creator	<i>Psalms 102:24-27</i>	<i>Hebrews 1:10-12</i>
Seen by Isaiah	<i>Isaiah 6:1-3</i>	<i>John 12:41</i>
To be sanctified	<i>Isaiah 8:13</i>	<i>I Peter 3:15a</i>
A Stone of Stumbling	<i>Isaiah 8:13,14</i>	<i>I Peter 2:7,8</i>
Preceded by a forerunner	<i>Isaiah 40:3,4</i>	<i>Luke 1:68,69,76</i>
Alpha & Omega; First & Last	<i>Isaiah 41:4; 44:6</i>	<i>Revelation 1:11,17</i>
Light and Glory of Israel	<i>Isaiah 60:19</i>	<i>Luke 2:32</i>
One Who searches the hearts	<i>Jeremiah 17:10</i>	<i>Revelation 2:23</i>
One Who seeks and saves	<i>Ezekiel 34:11,12</i>	<i>Luke 19:10</i>

**E. JESUS CHRIST HAS NAMES AND TITLES DECLARING HIS DEITY:**

**1. God.**

As mentioned previously, Jesus is directly called “God” several times in the New Testament.

**2. The Son Of God.**

Jesus used this title of Himself (*John 10:36 Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God*)

Other also called Him the Son of God — and Jesus accepted it in such a way as to assert His claims to it. This title is a direct declaration of His deity

— John 5:18; 10:30; Matthew 16:16,17 Matthew 27:43; Mark 9:7; 14:61; John 1:34; 5:25; 11:4; Acts 9:20; Hebrews 10:29; I John 4:15.

### **3. The “I AM” Titles.**

“I AM” denotes self-existence and was the Name by which the LORD revealed Himself to Israel through Moses.

### **4. Lord.**

This title is also used of God.

Luke 6:5 “And he said unto them, That the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.”

Matthew 7:21,22; 22:42-46; Luke 2:11; John 20:28; Acts 2:36; 4:33; 9:17; 10:36; 16:31; Romans 14:9; I Corinthians 2:8.

### **5. The Holy One.**

Acts 3:14, 15 “But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you; And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.”

Hosea 11:9 “I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to destroy Ephraim: for I am God, and not man; the Holy One in the midst of thee: and I will not enter into the city.”

#### **F. JESUS CHRIST ACCEPTED THE WORSHIP OF MEN:**

Matthew 8:2; 9:18; 14:33; 15:25; 20:20; 28:9; Luke 5:8; 24:52,53; I Corinthians 1:2.

Both the Old and New Testaments clearly declare that only God is to be worshipped — Exodus 34:14 “For thou shalt worship no other god: for the Lord, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:”

Matthew 4:10 “Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.”

— yet Christ accepted the worship of others.

In contrast, men and angels (in no uncertain terms) refused worship when it was offered to them

— Acts 10:25,26; 14:8-18; Revelation 19:10; 22:8,9.

Furthermore, the scriptures also call us to worship Christ — Philippians 2:10,11 “That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

John 5:23; Hebrews 1:6; Revelation 5:6-14.

### **G. JESUS CHRIST IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE GODHEAD:**

1. At His Baptism — Matthew 3:16,17.
2. In The “Great Commission” — Matthew 28:19.
3. In The Apostolic Benediction — II Corinthians 13:14.
4. In The So-Called “Johannine Comma” — I John 5:7.

In each of these cases, Jesus Christ is intimately included with the Father and the Holy Ghost.

### **H. JESUS CHRIST POSSESSED A DIVINE SELF-CONSCIOUSNESS:**

1. In The Temple At Age Twelve — Luke 2:41-52.
2. At His Baptism — Matthew 3:13-17.
3. His Temptation — Matthew 4:1-11.
4. In His “Sermon On The Mount.”
  - a. He claimed more authority than Moses — e.g. Matthew 5:38,39.
  - b. He claimed to be the Judge of all men — Matthew 7:21-23.