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The Preexistence of Jesus Christ

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Colossians 2:9

“For in Christ all the fullness of the Godhead dwells
in bodily form”

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INTRODUCTION:

Christ in Eternity The Preexistence of Jesus Christ

When we say “Christ in Eternity or Christ is from Eternity”
it is vitally important that we define what we mean.
As Human Beings we pride ourselves as being “In the know” on the
most important topics of the day.

We Have Available to Us, via Technology
the libraries of the world - bringing us the latest in information

But Regarding

The Person, The Mission and The Life of Jesus Christ,
the world today is by-and-large uninformed or willfully ignorant
about who He really was, and who He really is...

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All This, so That We Might Get a Better Understanding of Jesus Christ

John 21:25

And there are also many other things that Jesus did, which if they were written one by one,
I suppose that even the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.

Amen.

Our Theme Verse for This Series

Colossians 2:9

“For in Christ all the fullness of the Godhead
dwells in bodily form”

1.) Jesus Christ was Before All Things

The Bible, Christianity, Teaches
That Jesus Christ Has Always Been
and Shall Always Be

“Before Time”

Meaning

before this physical creation, the observable universe around us ever was

John 1:1

In the beginning (at the moment of physical creation) was the Word,
and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Before Any Thing Physical Appeared
Jesus Christ Was Already There

John 1:14

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us...

The Doctrine of
“Preexistence” is Solely Unique of God
And It’s Unique to Jesus Alone

John 17:5

"And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself,
with the glory which I had with **You before the world was.**

Micah 5:2

“But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are little among the thousands of Judah,
yet out of you shall come forth to Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, **whose goings
forth are from of old, even from everlasting.**”

John 8:56-58

“Your father Abraham rejoiced to see My day, and he saw it and was glad.” Then the
Jews said to Him, “You are not yet fifty years old, and have You seen Abraham?” 58
Jesus said to them, “Most assuredly,
I say to you, before Abraham was, **I AM.**”

Abraham Rejoiced in Jesus’ Presence

..Your father **Abraham rejoiced to see My day,**
and he saw it and was glad.”

Jesus Announced His Origins

I say to you, before Abraham was, **I AM.**”



GRK 1473 ego (eg-o')

being the only one, the self existing one, the cause, the originator



AM GRK 1510 eimi (i-mee')

having always been, before time, before all things, pre existing before anything else

I AM...

His Preincarnate Appearances as the

Angel of the Lord, As the Captain of the Lords Hosts, As the Lord

Exodus 3:14

And God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” And He said, “Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, ‘I AM has sent me to you.’”



I AM heb 1961 hayah (haw-yaw);

to have always existed, to be or to become the one that supplies the need. a beacon, the source of help. the one true strength

Isaiah 9:6

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, everlasting Father (father or governor of time) Prince of Peace.

Jesus Christ was Before All Things

a. Before The Spiritual *Creation*

The Bible teaches That God is Spirit and That He Has Always Been Spirit and Shall Forever Be Spirit

there is a spiritual realm or spiritual universe that houses the created,
-- angelic world

Prior to Physical Creation, There Was a Spiritual Creation of

*At Some Point and Place in Eternity Only God Existed
no humans, no angels, nothing but God*

Colossians 1:14-16

14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. 15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.

The Heavenly Realm / The Earthly Realm / Visible Things
Invisible / Things
Thrones, Dominions, Principalities, Powers

Nehemiah 9:6

...and The host of heaven worships You

Jesus Christ was Before All Things

b. Before The Spiritual *Purpose*

Foreknowledge
Can Be A Painful Thing

The Lord Knew What He Would Do and What Would Happen If He Introduced Free Will

Ephesians 2:7-9

that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, 9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

1 John 3:8

For this purpose **the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.**

Revelation 19:10

"...Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

He Knows All – At All Times

2.) Jesus Christ is Over All Things

Jesus Christ is Over All Things

a. He is Over The Physical *Creation*

Hebrews 1:1-3

1 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2 has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; 3 who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Creation is Credited to Jesus Christ

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Colossians 1:17

...and in Him all things consist.

Again - John 1:1-3

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Colossians 1:15

...the **firstborn** over all creation.



Firstborn

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4416 protokos (pro-tot-ok'-os);

the preeminent one. the architect, the orchestrator

Over it as its governor

Colossians 1:17

And He is before all things...

Isaiah 40:26

Lift up your eyes on high, and see who has created these things, who brings out their host by number; he calls them all by name, by the greatness of His might and the strength of His power; not one is missing.

Jesus Christ is Over All Things

b. He is Over The Physical *Purpose*

the world of atoms and molecular structures

Psalm 96:11-13

Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and all its fullness;
12 Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice
before the LORD. 13 For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall
judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with His truth.

Psalm 148:13

Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; his glory is
above the earth and heaven.

look around at God's varied imagination

3.) Jesus Christ is the Son of God

Understanding the Title

"Son of..."

when we say that this man is the son of bob,
what we think and what those in the middle east think are
two very different things

Jesus Christ is the Son of God

a. His is a Unique *Position*

Witnessed by the People...

John 19:6-7

Therefore, when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, "Crucify
Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "You take Him and crucify Him, for I find no fault
in Him."7 The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought
to die, because He made Himself the Son of God."

Confessed by the Demons

Luke 8:26-28

Then they sailed to the country of the Gadarenes, which is opposite Galilee. 27 And when He stepped out on the land, there met Him a certain man from the city who had demons for a long time. And he wore no clothes, nor did he live in a house but in the tombs. 28 When he saw Jesus, he cried out, fell down before Him, and with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me!"

Admitted by Jesus Himself

Matthew 26:63-64

But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!" 64 Jesus said to him, "It is as you said.

Confessed by Representatives of Rome

Matthew 27:50-54

And Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up His spirit. 51 Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom; and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split, 52 and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised; 53 and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the holy city and appeared to many. 54 So when the centurion and those with him, who were guarding Jesus, saw the earthquake and the things that had happened, they feared greatly, saying, "Truly this was the Son of God!"

John 10:30-33

"I and My Father are one." 31 Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. 32 Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" 33 The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God."

Acts 13:33

"God has fulfilled this for us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus. As it is also written in the second Psalm: 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You.'

Psalm 2:5-7

Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, and distress them in His deep displeasure: 6 "Yet I have set My King on My holy hill of Zion." 7 "I will declare the decree: the LORD has said to Me, 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You.

Proverbs 30:4

Who has ascended into heaven, or descended? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, if you know?

1 Timothy 1:17

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Jesus Christ is the Son of God

b. His is a Unique *Calling*

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that He gave His **only begotten Son**, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

“only begotten Son” the only, the unique, the authorized Son

Isaiah 41:4

Who has performed and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? 'I, the LORD, am the first; and with **the last** I am He."

Isaiah 44:6

"Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel, and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: 'I am the First and I am **the Last**; besides **Me there is no God**.

Isaiah 48:12

"Listen to Me, O Jacob, and Israel, My called: I am He, I am the First, I am also **the Last**.

Hosea 13:4

"Yet I am the LORD your God ever since the land of Egypt, and you shall know no God but Me; **for there is no Savior besides Me**.

Revelation 1:17-18

And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and **the Last**. 18 "I am He who lives, **and was dead**, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen.

Revelation 2:8

" 'These things says the First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life:

John's Invitation

John 20:31

but 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.

1 John 5:20

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life.

Galatians 4:4

But when the fullness of the time had come, God **sent forth** His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,

John 1:18

No one has seen God at any time. **The only begotten Son**, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared Him.

Luke 4:16-20 (Isaiah 61)

been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord." 20 Then He closed the book...

Colossians 1:15

He is the **image** of the invisible God,

John 7:28-29

Then Jesus cried out, as He taught in the temple, saying, "You both know Me, and you know where I am from; and I have not come of Myself, but He who sent Me is true, whom you do not know. 29 "But I know Him, for I am from Him, and He sent Me."

Jesus Christ is the Son of God

c. **His is a Unique *Authority***

Unique Authority

Matthew 28:18-19

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father

John 10:30

"I and My Father are one."

Deuteronomy 6:4

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one!

We, as Christians Are Monotheistic
(That there is Only one God and He is One)

God the Father

2 Corinthians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort,

God the Holy Spirit

Acts 5:3-4

But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself... 4 Why have you conceived this thing in your heart? You have not lied to men but to God."

God the Son

1 John 5:20

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