

"GREAT TITLES OF JESUS CHRIST"

JOHN 1:35-51

INTRO: In the Gospel of John Jesus is presented as GOD. But throughout the Fourth Gospel various TITLES are given to Jesus Christ as God. Normally when we think of John 1:35-51 we think of Christ's calling of His first disciples, namely ANDREW, PETER, PHILIP AND NATHANAEL. But, in the process of the context, we also see **EIGHT TITLES OF CHRIST** that we should become familiar with if we want to have a greater understanding of **WHO JESUS REALLY IS. SO, LET'S OBSERVE THESE TITLES IN OUR STUDY TODAY.**

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NOTE: **THERE ARE AT LEAST 200 TITLES OF CHRIST IN SCRIPTURE.**

I. JESUS IS THE LAMB OF GOD - VS. 36

- A. The Sacred Title
 - This is the **SACRIFICIAL TITLE OF CHRIST**. Cp. 1:29
- B. The Scriptural Connection
 - 1. The Predicted Sacrificial Lamb - Isaiah 53:7
 - 2. The Performed Sacrificial Lamb - Revelation 13:8; Cp. John 1:29
 - 3. The Provided Sacrificial Lamb - Revelation 17:14-17
- C. The Spiritual Application
 - Without the sacrifice of the Christ our Lamb, we would be lost in sin.

II. JESUS IS THE RABBI/MASTER - VS. 38

- A. The Sacred Title
 - A respectful title applied by the Jews to a doctor, a teacher, or a master to recognize him as one with spiritual authority. Cp. John 3:2
- B. The Scriptural Connection
 - Jesus, as a recognized Rabbi, taught both Jews and Gentiles divine truth **with authority**.
- C. The Spiritual Application
 - Christ is the best teacher of the things of God for HE IS GOD.

III. JESUS IS THE MESSIAH/CHRIST - VS. 41

- A. The Sacred Title
 - "Messiah" means **"THE ANOINTED ONE"** and refers to Christ as the One who will administer and uphold the Kingdom of David - Cp. Matthew 1:1
- B. The Scriptural Connection
 - Prophetically, Christ as the MESSIAH had a special anointing - Isaiah 61:1
- C. The Spiritual Application
 - Through Christ both **JEW AND GENTILE** can be related to God.

IV. JESUS IS THE ONE SPOKEN BY THE PROPHETS - VS. 45a

- A. The Sacred Title
 - Christ is the ONE Israel anticipated for centuries.
- B. The Scriptural Connection
 - Christ is the prophet that would speak God's Words - Deuteronomy 18:15
- C. The Spiritual Application
 - Through Christ prophecy is fulfilled that gives us HOPE for the future.

V. JESUS IS OF NAZARETH AND THE SON OF JOSEPH - VS. 45b

- A. The Sacred Title
 - Indicates that the human Jesus came from Nazareth and that Joseph was his earthly guardian - Cp. Matthew 2:19-23
- B. The Scriptural Connection
 - This illustrates the **lowliness and humanity of Christ** as Nazareth was a **despondent and detestable place**. Cp. Psalm 22:6-8; Isaiah 53:3
- C. The Spiritual Application
 - This reveals the humanity and humility of Christ

VI. JESUS IS THE SON OF GOD - VS. 49a

- A. The Sacred Title
 - This speaks **in the deepest sense of the relationship that exists between the ETERNAL FATHER and the ETERNAL SON** and reveals **WHO JESUS REALLY IS**. Cp. John 3:16

B. The Scriptural Application

-Jesus Christ is the Son of God Because:

1. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit - Luke 1:35
2. He is God with ALL the infinite perfections of God - John 1:1-14
3. He was EQUAL with the Father - John 5:17-25
4. He was SENT into the World by the Father - John 20:21

C. The Spiritual Application

-Christ, the **SON OF GOD** died on the CROSS so that through faith in Him we can become the **CHILDREN OF GOD** - John 1:12

VII. JESUS IS THE KING OF ISRAEL - VS. 49b

A. The Sacred Title

-Jesus is the **TRUE KING** of the Jews, and will be **KING OF ALL AT HIS RETURN TO EARTH.**

B. The Scriptural Connection

1. Isaiah 9:7 - Christ will sit on the Throne of David
2. Daniel 7:14 - Christ will rule over all people and nations.
3. 1 Timothy 6:15 - Christ is the **KING OF KINGS.**

C. The Spiritual Application

-Christ's Kingdom on Earth is yet to come and will be PERFECT, but now **we should submit to HIS AUTHORITY.**

VIII. JESUS IS THE SON OF MAN - VS. 51

A. The Sacred Title

-A title He called Himself some 80 times in the Gospels.

B. The Scriptural Connection

1. It is the Human Racial Name of Christ.
2. It portrays Him as Man's Representative before God
3. It is used of His Mission on Earth - Luke 19:10

C. The Spiritual Application

-He will be the judge we all will stand before - John 5:27

LESSON/APPLICATION: TRULY CHRIST DESERVES ALL OF OUR PRAISE, WORSHIP AND SERVICE