



# Knowing Christ

The Lamb of God

## The God-Man; John 1:1-18

- The Fullness of God in Christ
  - <sup>NAS</sup> **John 1:1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things came into being by Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.... <sup>14</sup> And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.
- The Fullness of Christ in Us
  - <sup>NAS</sup> **John 1:12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name, <sup>13</sup> who were born not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God...<sup>16</sup> For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace.

## John the Baptist is not ...

- The Christ (Messiah); v.20
- Elijah; v.21
  - <sup>NAS</sup> **Malachi 4:5** "Behold, I am going to send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and terrible day of the LORD.
- The prophet like Moses; v.21
  - <sup>NAS</sup> **Deuteronomy 18:15** "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your countrymen, you shall listen to him.

## John the Baptist is ...

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 1:23** He said, "I am a voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as Isaiah the prophet said."
- <sup>NAS</sup> **Isaiah 40:3** A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; Make smooth in the desert a highway for our God. <sup>4</sup> "Let every valley be lifted up, And every mountain and hill be made low; And let the rough ground become a plain, And the rugged terrain a broad valley; <sup>5</sup> Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, And all flesh will see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

## The Testimony of John

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 1:32** And John bore witness saying, "I have beheld the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and He remained upon Him. <sup>33</sup> "And I did not recognize Him, but He who sent me to baptize in water said to me, 'He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, this is the one who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.' <sup>34</sup> "And I have seen, and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

## Ministry of Jesus Revealed

- <sup>NAS</sup> **John 1:29** The next day he saw Jesus coming to him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!"

## The Lamb of God

- **NAS Genesis 22:7** And Isaac spoke to Abraham his father and said, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." And he said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" <sup>8</sup> And Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.
- **NAS Exodus 12:3** "Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying, 'On the tenth of this month they are each one to take a lamb for themselves, according to their fathers' households, a lamb for each household...<sup>13</sup> 'And the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live; and when I see the blood I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

## Who Takes Away the Sin

- <sup>NAS</sup> **Romans 8:1** There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.
- <sup>NAS</sup> **1 Peter 2:24** and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.
- <sup>NAS</sup> **1 John 3:5** And you know that He appeared in order to take away sins; and in Him there is no sin.
- <sup>NAS</sup> **1 John 1:7** but if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.



## Of the World

- Savior for the Whole World

- <sup>NAS</sup> **Romans 3:29** Or is God the God of Jews only? Is He not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also,
- <sup>NAS</sup> **Acts 4:12** "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved."
- <sup>NAS</sup> **Galatians 3:28** There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

## Of the World

- Savior for *the* World (Cosmos)

➤ <sup>NAS</sup> **Romans 8:19** For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but because of Him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself also will be set free from its slavery to corruption into the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation groans and suffers the pains of childbirth together until now.

# Conclusions

## The Lamb of God Now

- NAS **1 Peter 1:18** knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers, <sup>19</sup> but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.
- NAS **1 Corinthians 5:7** Clean out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, just as you are in fact unleavened. For Christ our Passover also has been sacrificed. <sup>8</sup> Let us therefore celebrate the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

## The Lamb of God Forever

- <sup>NAS</sup> **Revelation 22:1** And he showed me a river of the water of life, clear as crystal, coming from the throne of God and of the Lamb, <sup>2</sup> in the middle of its street. And on either side of the river was the tree of life, bearing twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit every month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> And there shall no longer be any curse; and the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His bond-servants shall serve Him; <sup>4</sup> and they shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And there shall no longer be any night; and they shall not have need of the light of a lamp nor the light of the sun, because the Lord God shall illumine them; and they shall reign forever and ever.

## Give Thank to the Lamb

- <sup>NAS</sup> **Revelation 5:12** ... "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing." <sup>13</sup> And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, "To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever."
- <sup>NAS</sup> **Revelation 7:10** and they cry out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."
- <sup>NAS</sup> **1 Thessalonians 5:18** in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
- <sup>NAS</sup> **1 Corinthians 15:57** but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.