

John 20:30–31 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book: 31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

Micah 5:2 But thou, Beth-lehem Ephratah, Though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; Whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Colossians 1:16–17 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: 17 And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

1 John 5:20 And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

John 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God

SERMON NOTES

The Questions of Christmas | John 20:31

Main Idea: What we believe about Jesus and why He came determines whether we have life or remain dead in sin.

1. Who Is Jesus? [vs. 31]

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The word "Christ" literally means ______—the one anointed and appointed by God to fulfill His promises.

Jesus fulfills Old Testament prophecy (5 examples of approximately 320 prophesies):

- Born in Bethlehem
- From the tribe of Judah
- Born of a virain
- Betrayed by a friend
- Crucified

B. Jesus is the Son of God (Deity in the flesh)

"What comes into your mind when you think about God is the most important thing about you."

- A.W. Tozer

He is God. [John 1:1]

- Note the offices of deity fulfilled by Jesus: He is the _____ and the ____ of all things.
- Note the metaphors Jesus used of Himself that imply deity: "I am the _____, the _____, the _____."

He used divine designations: Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, Resurrection and the Life

- **Note the names** used for Jesus which imply deity: Immanuel (God with us), Lord, Son of God, God [Titus 2:13; Hebrews 1:8; 1 John 5:20]
- 2. Why Did He Come? (Why would God leave heaven? Why was He walking around as a man?)
 - A. So that you might have life. [vs. 30]

Why do you need life? Without Jesus you are _____ in your trespasses and _____. [John 3:3; Romans 3:23; Romans 6:23]

Sin separates us from God! Spiritual Life comes through belief. The Bible is clear about what we must believe.

Jesus Christ died for our sins. He was buried. He rose from the grave.

Salvation comes when a sinner repents and believes—turns from sin and self, and places full trust in Jesus Christ alone.