

## The Son of God

### Introduction:

- A. Modernists try to take the middle ground with Jesus and call Him just a good man.
  - B. With Jesus there is no middle ground. - Luke 11:23
  - C. The Scriptures present Jesus as the Son of God. - John 20:30-31
  - D. How do the Scriptures present Jesus as the Son of God?
- I. The Scriptures present the absolute essentiality of accepting that Jesus is the Son of God.
- A. It is the fulfillment of the old Testament. - John 5:39,45-47; Luke 24:44; Acts 3:18-26; Galatians 3:24; 1 Peter 1:10-12
  - B. It is the central reason the gospel accounts were written. - John 20:30-31
  - C. It is the central theme of the gospel message. - Romans 1:1-4; Acts 2:36; 10:36
  - D. It is the foundation of the church. - Matthew 16:13-18
  - E. Belief in this fact is absolutely essential to one's salvation. - John 8:24
- II. The Scriptures present what it means to affirm that Jesus is the Son of God.
- A. He was born of a virgin. - Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:18-23
  - B. He is God.
    - 1. prophesied - Psalm 45:6-7; cf. Hebrews 1:8-9; Isaiah 9:6: cf. Luke 1:31-33
    - 2. plainly stated - John 1:1-3,14; John 5:17-18; John 8:58; cf. Exodus 3:13-14; 1 Timothy 3:16; Titus 2:13
    - 3. possesses the essence of deity - Colossians 1:15; Hebrews 1:1-4
    - 4. He was raised from the dead. - Acts 13:32-37
- III. The Scriptures present credible testimony that He is the Son of God.
- A. the testimony of John - John 1:29-34
  - B. the testimony of the Father - Matthew 3:16-17; 17:1-5; 2 Peter 1:16-18
  - C. the testimony of the prophets - John 5:39,46; Luke 24:13-32,44-47
  - D. the testimony of His miracles - John 5:36; 20:30-31; Acts 2:22
  - E. the testimony of His teaching - John 7:45-46
  - F. the testimony of His sinless life - John 8:46
  - G. the testimony of His resurrection - Romans 1:4

### Conclusion:

- A. What a marvelous fact to contemplate: God sent His Son to live on the earth as a man and to die in my stead! - 1 John 4:9-10
- B. What a wonderful life to live, one of walking in His steps! - 1 John 2:6
- C. What a glorious hope to contemplate: being like Him in eternity! - 1 John 3:2
- D. Will you not believe Him, obey Him, follow Him and live with Him through eternity?