"WORD OF LIFE"

April 03, 2022

CHRIST IN HIS PERSON - In Incarnation

3 – The Holy Thing 4 – Jesus

Hymn: 67/There is a great mystery/28

↓ IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD (John 1:1)

- Luke 1:31 And behold, you will conceive in *your* womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus.
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.
- Exo. 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.
- John 8:24 Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for unless you believe that I am, you will die in your sins.
- John 8:28 Jesus therefore said to them, When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am, and *that* I do nothing from Myself, but as My Father has taught Me, I speak these things.
- John 8:58 Jesus said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Before Abraham came into being, I am.
- Matt. 11:28 Come to Me all who toil and are burdened, and I will give you rest.
- Matt. 11:29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
- Heb. 4:9 So then there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God.
- Heb. 4:11 Let us therefore be diligent to enter into that rest lest anyone fall after the same example of disobedience.

LET US OFFER UP A SACRIFICE OF PRAISE CONTINUALLY TO GOD (Heb. 13:15)

The Holy Thing

- > Christ is called "the holy thing." (Luke 1:35)
 - the conceiving of the Holy Spirit, was intrinsically holy,
 - as the holy thing, Christ was absolutely for God and separated unto God
 - He was absolutely unto God and one with Him.

❖ The name **Jesus** was given by God

Luke 1:31 says, "Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus."

- "Jesus" is the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew name Joshua
 - Joshua means Jehovah the Savior, the salvation of Jehovah.
 - **Jehovah** is **God** the eternal One, from eternity past to eternity future
 - Jehovah is I Am That I Am
- **Jesus** includes the name **Jehovah**.
 - Jesus is Jehovah
 - Jesus is Jehovah becoming our salvation
 - o the One who is now in the present,
 - o who was in the past,
 - o and who will be in the future and in eternity forever
 - Jesus is God incarnate.
 - John 8:58 says, "Before Abraham came into being, I am" and "Unless you believe that I am, you shall die in your sins,"

- Jesus is the I Am.
- The Lord Jesus is whatever we need.
 - He is life, light, power, wisdom, righteousness, holiness.
 - Everything we need is found in Him.

> Jesus the Savior, or the Salvation

- Jesus is Jehovah-Savior, the One who saves us from everything
 - He saves us from our sin and sins,
 - o from all the besetting sins in our daily life,
 - o from the evil power of Satan,
 - o from every bondage and addiction
- Jesus is the Savior—He Himself is our salvation.
 - He does not simply give us salvation; He comes to us as our salvation.
 - Whoever calls on the name of Jesus will be saved (Rom. 10:13)

↓ WITH ONE ACCORD ... WITH ONE MOUTH GLORIFY THE GOD (Rom. 15:6)

- **↓ Jesus** is the real Joshua. Moses brought God's people out of Egypt, but Joshua brought them into rest. As our Joshua, Jesus brings us into rest.
- Hebrews 4 speaks of **Jesus** as the real Joshua who brings us into the rest of the good land.
 - He is our Savior saving us from sin.
 - He is our Joshua bringing us into rest, which is Himself as the good land.
 - Whenever we call on His name, He saves us and brings us into the enjoyment of Himself.

There is a great mystery,
A wonderful story;
For ages 'twas hidden,
Now shown in His wisdom;
'Tis a divine romance
Of God and man in time;
Beyond understanding,
Yet seen in God's speaking.

Chorus

God fell in love with man;
For only God's love can
Make man just the same as He
In life and in nature.
We are His expression,
His bride, His enlargement;
Forever, together,
As living, insep'rable as one couple
Eternally.

Though He was rejected
By men who were blinded;
His love is constraining,
His heart still unchanging;
Thus in incarnation
Came He as salvation;
His name is called Jesus,
And He came to seek us.

3

Though born as a sinner,
His blood has redeemed me.
He suffered on Calv'ry,
Then raised up in glory,
To regenerate me.
Now joined in one spirit
I love to enjoy Him,
For I've been forgiven!

4

His love is so tender,
To Him I'll surrender;
His name is so precious,
I gladly call, "Jesus!"
His Person's so charming,
My heart ever winning;
I'll hold back no longer,
I'll love Him forever.