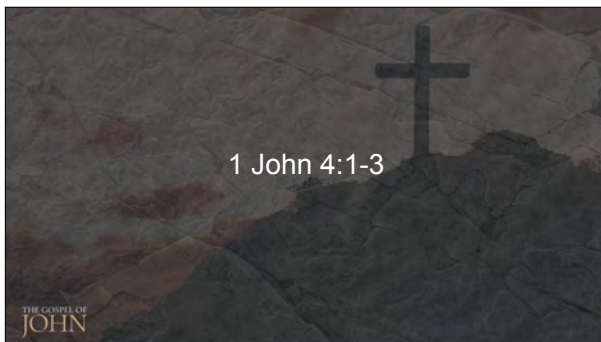


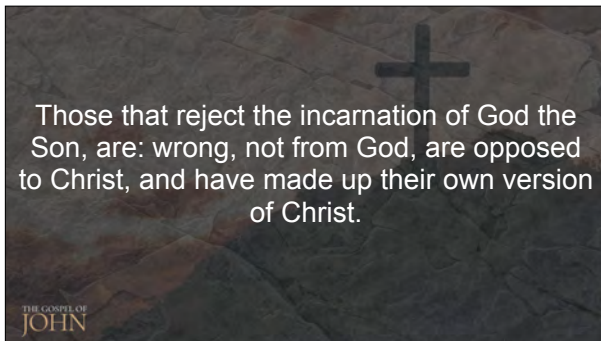
Neither, because both are heretical teachings.

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1 John 4:1-3

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Those that reject the incarnation of God the Son, are: wrong, not from God, are opposed to Christ, and have made up their own version of Christ.

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“We, then, following the holy Fathers, all with one consent, teach men to confess one and the same Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the same perfect in Godhead and also perfect in manhood; truly God and truly man, of a reasonable soul and body; consubstantial with us according to the manhood; in all things like unto us, without sin; begotten before all ages of the Father according to the Godhead, and in these latter days, for us and for our salvation, born of the virgin Mary, the mother of God, according to the manhood; one and the same Christ, Son, Lord, Only-begotten, to be acknowledged in two natures, inconfusedly, unchangeably, indivisibly, inseparably;

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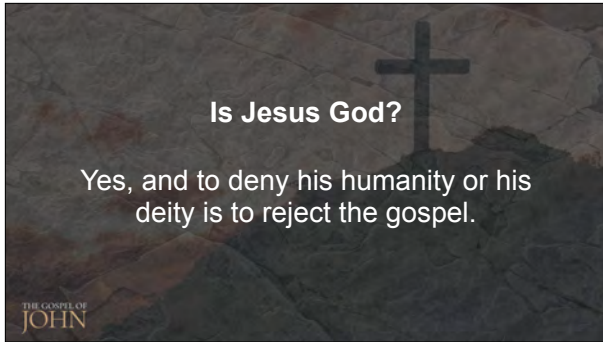
the distinction of natures being by no means taken away by the union, but rather the property of each nature being preserved, and concurring in one Person and one Subsistence, not parted or divided into two persons, but one and the same Son, and only begotten, God the Word, the Lord Jesus Christ, as the prophets from the beginning have declared concerning him, and the Lord Jesus Christ himself taught us, and the Creed of the holy Fathers has handed down to us.”

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Is Jesus human?

Yes.

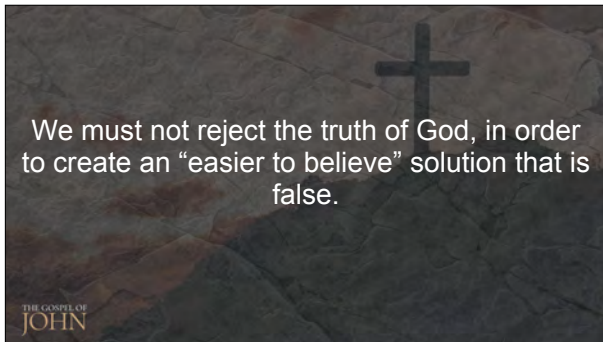
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Is Jesus God?

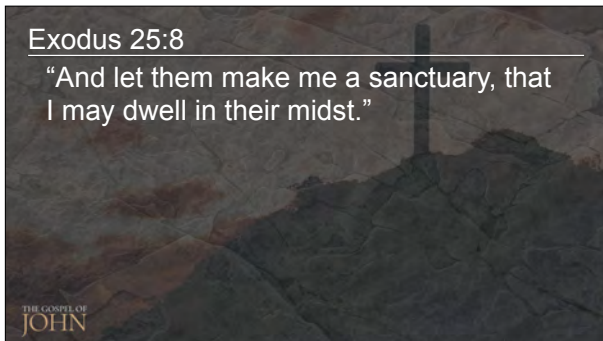
Yes, and to deny his humanity or his deity is to reject the gospel.

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We must not reject the truth of God, in order to create an “easier to believe” solution that is false.

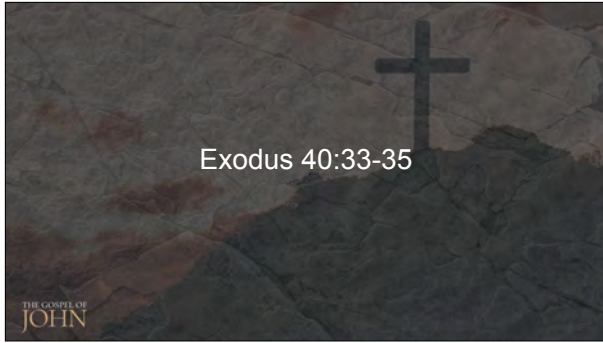
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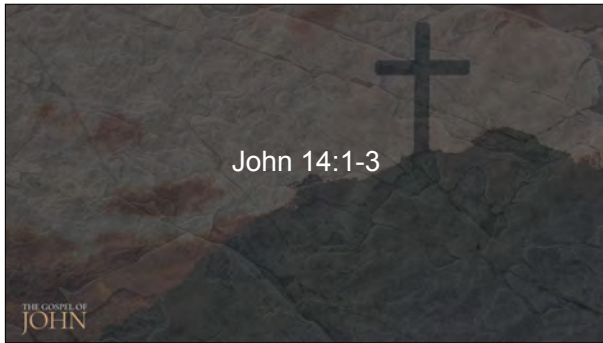


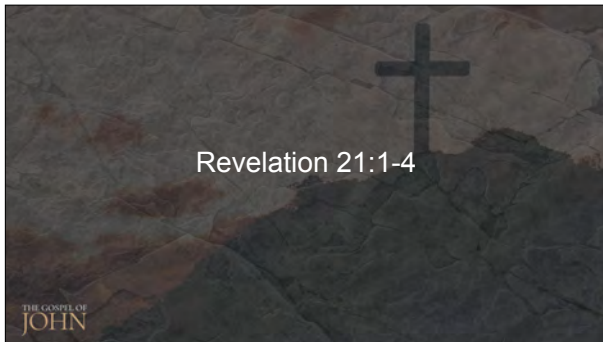
Exodus 25:8

“And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst.”

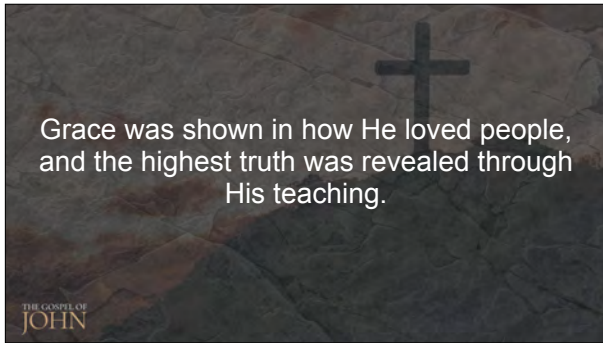
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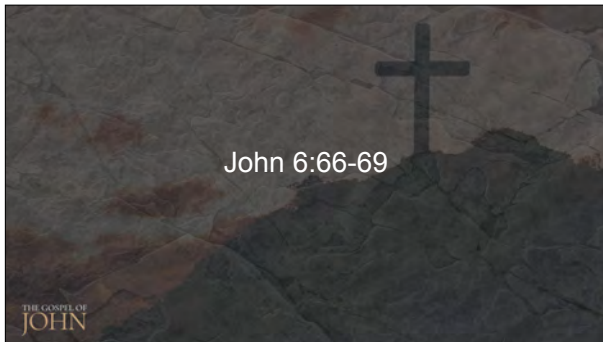


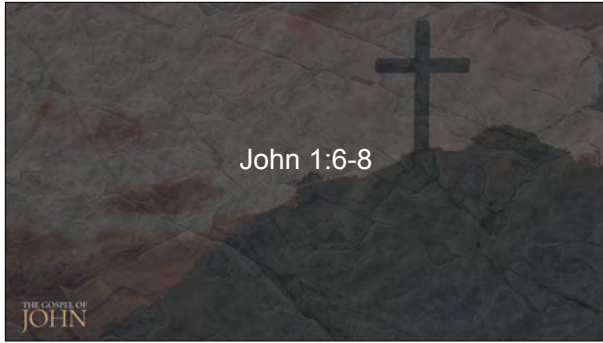




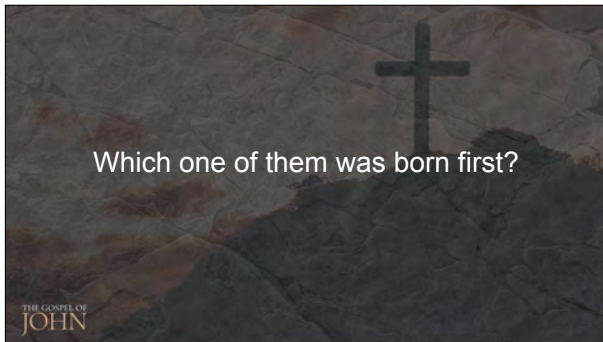








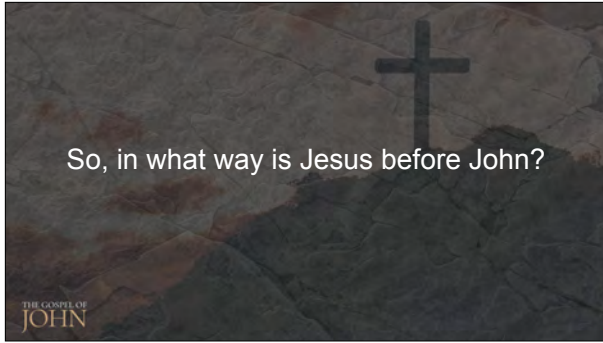
John 1:6-8



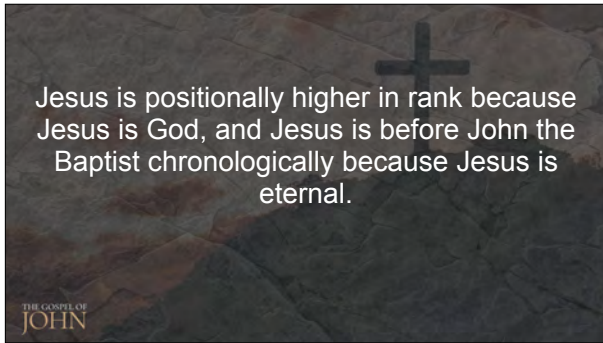
Which one of them was born first?



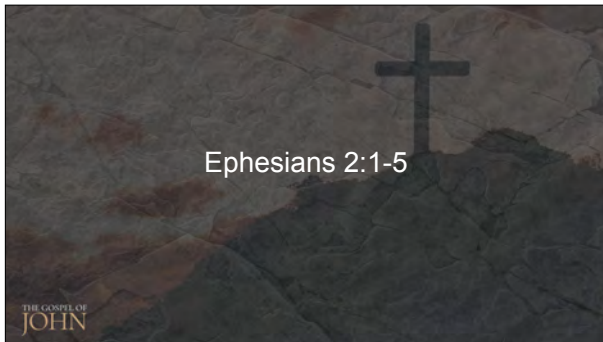
Whose public ministry began first?



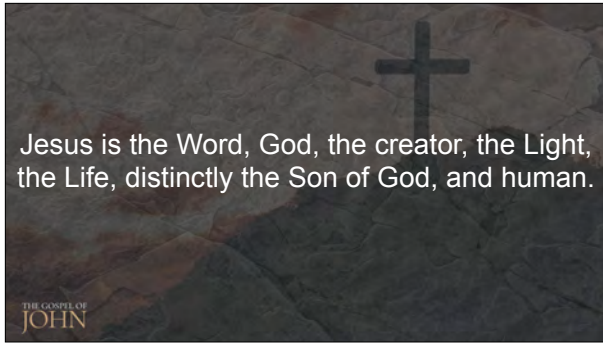
So, in what way is Jesus before John?



Jesus is positionally higher in rank because Jesus is God, and Jesus is before John the Baptist chronologically because Jesus is eternal.



Ephesians 2:1-5



Jesus is the Word, God, the creator, the Light, the Life, distinctly the Son of God, and human.



Series: John
Sermon: John 1:14-16

1. John clearly presents the Word/Jesus as the author of life, light, humanity, and all things in creation. He also clearly presents him as the author of life, light, and the children of God. How might your belief or acceptance of the Genesis 1 creation account by God help to strengthen or weaken your view of salvation by God?

2. It is quite common for people to make up their own Jesus. How would you respond to someone, who after hearing you tell them about Jesus, said, "I have my Jesus and you have yours, what makes you think that your Jesus is better than mine."

3. Church History consists of many heroes and heretics who defended or rejected the Biblical Jesus. Such issues were: Was Jesus the Creator, or was Jesus created? Was Jesus less than God? Was Jesus not fully human? Does Jesus have 2 natures (God and Human) or only one? All of them, whether heroes or heretics used the same name, Jesus, but defined Him differently. How about today, should we assume because someone says, "Jesus," that it is the same Jesus that we believe in? What are some

things you could say to them to explore that more carefully?

4. What are some reasons why people may not acknowledge the need to receive grace from God?

5. What could you say to expose them to their need for grace?

6. Explore Matthew 17:1-8. List at least 5 interesting points about this passage.
