

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, 9-6-09 PM NOTES
"THE KEY TO THE GOSPEL OF GOD"
ROMANS 1:3-4
#3 in Series, "Verse by Verse through Romans"

"In verses 3 and 4, a brief message of only twenty-eight Greek words (forty-one in English), Paul has provided us with an entire Christology."

- James M. Boice
- John Calvin

"The whole gospel is contained in Christ."

"Here the door is thrown open wide for the understanding of Holy Scripture, that is, that everything must be understood in relation to Christ."

- Martin Luther

Acts 9:5a (NKJV) "And he [Paul] said, 'Who are You, Lord?'"

I. His Humanity (V3)

Isaiah 9:6 (NKJV) "For unto us a Child is **born**, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

Galatians 4:4 (NKJV) "But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, **born** of a woman, **born** under the law".

John 1:1 (NKJV) "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

John 1:14a (NKJV) "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us..."

Philippians 2:6-8 (ESV) "⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷ but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being **born** in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross."

"He who made man was made man."

- Charles Spurgeon

Jeremiah 23:5-6 (NKJV) "'⁵ Behold, *the* days are coming,' says the Lord, 'That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; a King shall reign and prosper, and execute judgment and righteousness in the earth. ⁶ In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell safely; now this *is* His name by which He will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.'"

Matthew 1:16 (NKJV) "And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of **Mary, of whom was born Jesus** who is called Christ."

Matthew 1:11 (NKJV) "Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon."

Jeremiah 22:30 (NKJV) "Thus says the Lord: 'Write this man down as childless, a man *who* shall not prosper in his days; for none of his descendants shall prosper, sitting on the throne of David, and ruling anymore in Judah.' "

"But when the Holy Spirit begat the Lord Jesus in the womb of the virgin without any use of a human father, the child that was born was the seed of David according to the flesh. And when Joseph married Mary and took the unborn child under his protecting care, giving Him the title that had come down to Him through His ancestor Solomon, the Lord Jesus became the legal Messiah, the royal Messiah, the uncursed Messiah, the true Messiah, the only possible Messiah"

- Donald Barnhouse

II. His Deity (V4)

A. His Deity Is Declared by His Title (V4a)

Hebrews 1:2-3a (NKJV) “² has in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; ³ **who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person...**”

John 10:30 (NKJV) “I and *My* Father are one.”

B. His Deity Is Declared with Power (V4b)

2 Corinthians 8:9 (NKJV) “For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.”

Matthew 28:18 (KJV) “All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.”

C. His Deity Is Declared through the Spirit of Holiness (V4c)

D. His Deity Is Declared by the Resurrection from the Dead (V4d)

III. His Names (V3a)

Romans 1:3-4 (ESV) “³ concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴ and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, **Jesus Christ our Lord**”.

A. Jesus

Matthew 1:21 (NKJV) “And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.”

B. Christ

C. Lord