

WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT CHRIST

Study 2- The Pre-Existence of Christ

Introduction-

I. HIS PRE-EXISTENCE IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

1- The Testimony of John the Baptist

- John 1:15

2- The Testimony of Christ Himself

- John 6:33, 38, 41, 50-51, 62
- John 8:42, 58
- John 16:28-30
- John 17:5, 24

3- The Testimony of the Apostles

- John 1:1-3
- Philippians 2:5-7
- Colossians 1:17

4- Passages Implying Pre-Existence

- Matthew 23:37
- 2 Corinthians 8:9

II. HIS PRE-EXISTENCE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

1- Christ Appears as “The Angel of the Lord”

a) This angel appears in many passages

- Genesis 16:7-14

- Exodus 3:1-2, 4, 6, 14

- Judges 13:2-3, 6-9, 15-18

b) This angel can be identified as Christ

- Compare Judges 13:15-18 with Isaiah 9:6

c) This angel never appears after the conception of Christ

- Matthew 1:20, 24

- Matthew 2:19

- Acts 5:19

- Acts 12:7, 23

d) This angel accepts worship, whereas other angels forbid it

- Revelation 19:10; 22:8-9

2- Christ Appears as “The LORD” (JEHOVAH)

a) Genesis 18:1-3, 22

b) Joshua 5:13-15; 6:2

c) Isaiah 6:1-5