



The Christ — God the Son — Comes to Earth

AIM: Show that God is three persons — God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. This story will explain that the Deliverer was God the Son, receiving a human body from a young Jewish woman named Mary. The Deliverer was both God and a human being.

2 Corinthians 13:14; Matthew 28:19; Micah 5:2; Isaiah 7:14, 9:6; John 10:25, 30; Luke 2:1-33



For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

Uncle Paul wanted the children to understand who this Christ is — something about God that many of them had never heard before. Pointing to the triangle on the board, Uncle Paul explained, “I’ll use this triangle to help you understand that the one true God is three Persons. In the center of this triangle I have written the word GOD, and at the top of the triangle, I have written God the Father, at the point on the left I have written God the Son, and on the right point I have written God the Holy Spirit. Now these are the three persons of God — equal in every way. All three are eternal, which means they have always existed — they were never created or born, and they will never die.” Robert told Dan that he knows this is hard for him to understand, but it is one of those truths that he decided to JUST believe — because God said it, it had to be true.

Uncle Paul reminded the children that the Deliverer, the Christ, would have to be a perfect human being; he also reminded them that everyone born through Adam’s line was born with sin. That’s why God had to send a sinless Christ from Heaven. God planned that His Son would be the Christ, and God the Son agreed to come. One child reminded Uncle Paul that God is a spirit, and spirits don’t have a human body like us — no skin or bones. Uncle Paul explained God’s plan for that, “God the Son would be born as a human being. And to receive His human body, He would be born on earth as a child of Mary. That means that Mary’s child would be both human and God — something God had told his prophet, Isaiah, six hundred years earlier!

Uncle Paul knew the Christ’s coming was hard for the children to understand so he explained further, “Since Mary was a virgin, having no husband, God the Holy Spirit would perform a miracle — something no one else, but God, could do. Though Joseph would be the earthly father, who would raise this baby as his own, this baby, the Christ, would not be born of a human father. God would be the Christ’s Father; therefore, the Christ would NOT be born with sin.” When we read this story in the Bible, we read that while shepherds were watching their sheep one night, the sky lit up and an angel from God came and surprised them with some very good news — news that the Christ they had been waiting for had just been born! Thousands of angels joined the first angel; they were all in the sky singing praises to God for the great thing He had just done. We read that these shepherds hurried down to Bethlehem where the angel said the Savior would be, and sure enough, there He was! What the angel had said was true. And, just like any of us would have done, the shepherds told everyone they met what they had heard and seen. Of course, the people were amazed when they heard the shepherds’ story — a TRUE story — of the Savior’s birth.

Discussion Questions

1. Who are the three persons of God?
2. Where did Christ, the Deliverer, come from before the Holy Spirit performed the miracle that made Him become Mary’s baby?
3. Why did Christ, the Deliverer, have to come from Heaven?
4. God is eternal. What does that mean?
5. Why wasn’t the Deliverer born with sin?
6. Besides being sinless, what was different about this baby than any other baby born into this world?
7. What was the good news the angels had for the shepherds?
8. What can we learn about the Deliverer (Christ) from this story?