

John # 73 “God the Son Became God the Man” *John 5:19-23*

The Lord Jesus Christ is eternal God and as a member of the Trinity, He always existed; there never was a time when He did not exist.

As a member of the Godhead, Jesus Christ is coequal, coeternal and co-infinite with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

In eternity past, Jesus Christ had the same essence as the Father and the Holy Spirit.

During His lifetime on earth, He still had the same functions of deity but He also became true humanity, making Him the unique Person of the universe.

The God-man, Jesus Christ is speaking with the religious leaders of Israel and they have no clue as to Who He is!

The Man standing before them, Jesus Christ has direct control of human history through His divine power as mentioned in *Deut. 33:26 There is no One like the God of Jeshurun, Who rides across the heavens to help you and on the clouds in His majesty.*

The God-man, Jesus Christ also has indirect control of human history because of His established laws and His divine institutions.

There are and have been nations that follow God’s established laws and therefore, they continue to survive and even be blessed by God through following His established principles.

The universe will not be destroyed until God’s pre-determined plan calls for the termination of human history by the One Who Created it, none other than the man the Pharisees seek to kill, the Lord Jesus Christ; only He has the power to create a new universe that will last for eternity.

Only knowledge and application of biblical truth frees us from slavery to the sin nature allowing us to accurately live the experiential Christian life.

Biblical truth frees us to have a vibrant joyous relaxed relationship with God in this life with only a greater expectation of the life to come!

Eternal freedom belongs to the children of God, related to His redemption act and His experiential sanctification for us provides daily freedom to serve Him and our positional sanctification provides freedom from slavery to the sin nature.

The Pharisees were trapped because legalism seeks to enslave people and destroy all aspects of freedom.

This is why lying false teachers, who are in slavery themselves, deceitfully promise freedom to their victims.