

LESSON 10

Jesus Explained: God in Human Form

4: Jesus Christ

Executive Summary

Jesus is not merely a prophet or teacher — He is God in the flesh, co-equal and co-eternal with the Father. Yet He also became fully human, entering our world in flesh and blood. This dual nature is essential to the gospel: because He was fully man, He could die; because He was fully God and sinless, His death could atone for others.

Key Terms

Incarnation	The Son of God taking on true humanity without ceasing to be fully God.
Deity	The full divine nature; Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit are truly and eternally God.
Humanity	The full human nature Jesus took in the incarnation while remaining fully God and completely without sin.
Atonement	Christ's saving work by which He bore sin, satisfied justice, and reconciled sinners to God.

Key Verses

English Standard Version (ESV)

John 1:1,14

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

Colossians 1:15-17

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. 17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Philippians 2:5-8

5 Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by 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.

Hebrews 2:17

17 Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

Application Questions

1. According to John 1:1, who is Jesus?

2. According to John 1:14, what did Jesus become?

3. Why is it important that Jesus is both God and man?

4. How does knowing who Jesus is help you trust Him?
