

THE TESTIMONY OF THE WRITTEN WORD OF GOD
TO
THE ESSENTIAL DIVINE GLORY AND ABSOLUTE DEITY
OF
THE PERSONAL WORD OF GOD, THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
WITH
SCRIPTURE INTERPRETING SCRIPTURE

WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST?

- † "I am Jehovah, that is my name; and *my glory will I not give to another.*" (Isa. 42:8)
- † "*For who in the heaven can be compared to Jehovah? who among the sons of the mighty shall be likened to Jehovah? . . . Jehovah, God of hosts, who is like unto thee, the strong Jah? And thy faithfulness is round about thee.*" (Ps. 89:6, 8)
- † "And he said, Jehovah, God of Israel! *there is no God like thee*, in the heavens above, or on the earth beneath, who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart." (1 Kings 8:23)
- † "*Who is like unto thee, Jehovah, among the gods? Who is like unto thee*, glorifying thyself in holiness, Fearful in praises, doing wonders?" (Exod. 15:11)
- † "*To whom will ye liken me and make me equal, or compare me, that we may be like? . . . Remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me.*" (Isa. 46:5, 9)
- † "*To whom then will ye liken God? and what likeness will ye compare unto him? . . . To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal?* saith the Holy One. . . . Dost thou not know, hast thou not heard, that *the everlasting God, Jehovah, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not nor tireth?* There is no searching of his understanding." (Isa. 40:18, 25, 28)
- † "Thus saith Jehovah, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker . . . *It is I that have made the earth, and created man upon it; it is I, my hands, that have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded.*" (Isa. 45:11, 12)
- † "Hearken unto me, Jacob, and thou Israel, my called. *I am HE [Jehovah]; I, the First, and I, the Last.* Yea, *my hand* hath laid the foundation of the earth, and *my right hand* hath spread abroad the heavens: I call unto them, they stand up together." (Isa. 48:12-13)
- † "Of old hast thou *[Jehovah]* founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of *thy hands*: They shall perish, but thou continuest; and all of them shall grow old as a garment: as a vesture shalt thou change them, and they shall be changed. *But thou art the Same*, and thy years shall have no end. (Ps. 102:25-27)
- † "Thus saith Jehovah, thy Redeemer, and he that formed thee from the womb: *I am Jehovah, the maker of all things; who ALONE* stretched out the heavens, who did spread forth the earth *BY MYSELF.*" (Isa. 44:24)
- † "Fear God and give him glory . . . *worship him who has made the heaven and the earth and the sea and fountains of waters.*" (Rev. 14:7)
- † "Children, *keep yourselves from idols.*" (1 John 5:21)

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This paper has long been in my mind and on my heart, and I was finally compelled to work on it and bring it to completion.

The length of the work is largely due to the fact that:

- 1) The Godhood glory of our Lord has been demonstrated book by book throughout the New Testament (and often in connection with Old Testament prophecy). As such, proofs from one NT book are often seen repeated in others.
- 2) Extensive comparisons with other scriptures have generally been made for each scripture passage cited in proof of the absolute Deity of Christ—with scripture thus buttressing scripture.
- 3) Each main text cited in proof of the fact that our Saviour is Jehovah-Jesus has almost always been cited in full and unedited (for all to read for themselves without comment) before citing it again with interspersed remarks bearing on its meaning and unavoidable implications.
- 4) Commentary other than my own remarks has often been added where it was deemed warranted and helpful.
- 5) Even scriptures were taken up that are, or may be, twisted and misused by wicked, deluded men to our Lord's dishonor, and shown that they in fact necessarily redound to His blessed everlasting glory.

In keeping with the above, I have also emphasized the abundant scriptural testimony to our Lord's *unoriginated, underived, eternal Divine Sonship*.

One of my objectives, which influenced the structure of this work, was to permit no escape-hatch, if you will, to deceivers or poor, lost deniers of our Saviour's absolute Divine glory. And one of my prayers is that the Holy Spirit would use this paper to shed the light of His scriptures with overwhelming force, such that there is no other recourse than to bow to His Word in true worship of our true God and Saviour Jesus Christ, or to otherwise outright reject His Word with no *pretense* of submitting to it. May it be the former!

Before delving into the main body of this work, I would also encourage readers to take the time to digest the *"Introductory Remarks"* which follow this Preface, and which set the framework, context and all-importance of *"The Triunity of God and the Person and Work of Christ."* The time invested will pay off in great spiritual dividends—including grounding one in the truth and facilitating avoidance of pitfalls and traps set by the enemy.

I should also note that I have intentionally not provided full citations of other works or commentaries that have been quoted, but almost always only the names of authors (and then simply their initials after the first time citing from their works in a given section of the paper). I did not want the remarks cited to be about certain "authorities"; but solely about elucidating the truth (while at the same time not taking false "credit" for such wonderful and helpful comments).

May God use this paper to bless those who belong everlastingly to the Son—to cause their hearts to overflow endlessly in love, adoration, worship of Jehovah-Jesus, He who is their Life and Blessed Hope!—and to reveal, unto salvation, the eternal Godhood glory of the Son of His love to those who are perishing.

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