MICHAEL, THE ARCHANGEL

- 1. Michael, the archangel, is Christ. Note the following evidence:
 - a. Jude 9 (1798) calls Michael, the archangel.
 - b. I Thessalonians 4:16 (1736) says that it is the voice of the archangel that will raise the dead.
 - c. John 5:27-29 (1555) says that it is Jesus' voice that will raise the dead, so, Jesus is the archangel.
- 2. Michael, the archangel, (Christ) is the second person of the Godhead. The Bible clearly refers to Him as God, John 1:1-3,10,14 (1546); Titus 1:3,4 (1752); Colossians 2:9 (1730); I John 5:20 (1795); I Timothy 3:16 (1743).
- 3. Michael, the archangel, (Christ) is not a created being but rather existed from eternity with His father, John 1:1-3,10,14 (1546); John 6:38 (1558); John 17:5,24 (1580); Colossians 1:15-17 (1728); Micah 5:2 (1357); John 8:58 (1564).
- 4. Michael, the archangel, (Christ) is apparently the supreme commander or leader of the angelic host (and is thus called the archangel), but serving in this capacity does not detract from His diety or make Him, in any way, a created being. When this "captain of the host of the Lord" appeared to Joshua, THAT JOSHUA WORSHIPPED HIM IS PROOF that this captain of the host was the Lord and not a created angel, Joshua 5:14,15 (356).
- 5. We know that Christ is not a created angel because angels, as created beings, are not to be worshipped, Colossians 2:18 (1730); Revelation 19:10 (1821); Revelation 22:8,9 (1825). But angels, themselves, worship Christ, Hebrews 1:6 (1757).
- 6. Jesus is called the "angel of the Lord", Exodus 3:2 (89); the "angel of God", Exodus 14:19 (110); the "angel of His presence", Isaiah 63:9 (1100); the "messenger of the covenant", Malachi 3:1 (1393); and "angel", Exodus 23:20 (125); "mine angel", Exodus 23:23 (125); and "His angel", Daniel 3:28 (1302). Let's look further at a few of these references. Please note that repeatedly these passages refer to the angel as the Lord or God:

- a. The "angel of the Lord" who came to Gideon, Judges 6:11-22 (403), is called the "Lord" in verse 14.
- b. Manoah said he had "seen God", Judges 13:22 (419), when the "angel of the Lord" appeared to him, Judges 13:3-21 (418).
- c. The angel who came to Joshua, Zechariah 3:1-10 (1378), causes sin to pass away and gives righteousness. Only God can do these things.
- d. When the angel appeared to Jacob, Hosea 12:4 (1330), he said he had "seen God face to face", Genesis 32:30 (54).
- e. The "angel of His presence", "saved" and "redeemed", which only God can do, Isaiah 43:11 (1076); cf 44:6 (1077).
- f. "Mine angel", Exodus 23:23 (125), could pardon transgression which only God can do, Mark 2:7 (1454).
- 7. A careful comparison will show that: the "prince of princes", Daniel 8:25 (1312); the "prince of the host", Daniel 8:11 (1312); "Michael, your prince", Daniel 10:21 (1316); Michael, "the great prince", Daniel 12:1 (1319); and "Messiah, the prince", Daniel 9:25 (1314), all refer to the same being, the Lord Jesus Christ. See also Acts 3:15 (1594); 5:31 (1599); Revelation 1:5 (1800).
- 8. The being who appeared to Daniel, Daniel 10:5,6 (1315), is obviously Christ because the description of Him is the same as that of Christ in Revelation 1:13-15 (1801). This being is also called Michael in Daniel 10:13 (1316).



