

The Eternal Christ
Life of Christ (Lesson 2)

1 Timothy 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

1. HE WAS _____ WHEN HE CAME TO EARTH.

In 1 Timothy 3:16 notice the words, “God was manifest in the flesh.”

The word “manifest” is the same word that is mentioned in Revelation; in fact, it is the same word as the word “revelation.

The Greek word is the word “apocalypse” which means “to uncover or unveil.”

Actually, Christ was unveiled when He came to _____.

The fact that He was preexistent is found in Hebrews 13:8, “Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.”

2. JESUS WAS THE _____.

In all the history of the world, Jesus emerges as the only expected Person.

The coming of the _____ had been predicted for centuries; in fact, the promise of His coming was given to Adam and Eve soon after their fall into sin.

John 16:28 I came forth from the _____, and am come into the _____: again, I leave the world, and go to the Father.

Micah 5:2, “But thou, Beth-lehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.”

Isaiah 9:6 He is called “Wonderful,” “Counsellor,” “mighty God,” “everlasting Father,” and “Prince of Peace.”

3. THE PROPHETS _____ HIS COMING AND TOLD US THAT HE WAS ALREADY _____.

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The word _____ implies that He was some place else before He came here.

He said in Colossians 1:16, 17, "For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist."

The word _____ there is a very interesting word which means "stick together."

It is Christ Who holds the universe and the world together; in fact, all things are stuck together by Him.

Notice these verses: John 17:24, "...for thou [Father] lovedst me before the foundation of the world."

John 8:58, "...Before Abraham was, I am."

Revelation 22:13, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last."

5. JESUS _____ THIS SAME TRUTH.

"Alpha" is the first letter of the Greek alphabet; "Omega" is the last. This means that Jesus says, "I am the A to Z. I am the first and the last."