

Lesson Notes for Lesson 3, Feb 23 “Name of Christ”

Sermon Lesson Material:

Introduction:

Christ is used for the Old Testament Hebrew word for Messiah (masiyah “anointed”) which is used for priests, prophets, and kings (Lev. 4; 1 Sam. 2:35; 16; 24:6-10; 2 Sam. 22:51; 1 Chron. 16:22; Ps. 18:50; Ps. 105:15; Ps 132:17; Is. 45:1; 61; Dan. 9:25-26; Hab. 3:13; etc.). Isaiah 61 speaks of the ministry of God’s Messiah (Anointed One), and in Luke 4:16-21 Jesus reads the Isaiah 61 prophecy and states publicly that He is the Messiah! In Acts 2:36 Peter concludes his sermon on Jesus saying that God has made him Christ and Lord. What is the significance of Jesus being the Christ, the Messiah?

Lesson Outline:

1. To be consistent with its use in the Old Testament it would mean “Anointed One” like a Priest, Prophet, King. He is all 3 – see Hebrews chapters 7-10
2. He is a Priest who offers the sacrifice, and He is the sacrifice (Heb 2:14-18; 4:14-5:10; 6:19-10:22)
3. He is a Prophet who preaches the message of God (Acts 3:22-23; 7:37-38; Deut. 18:15-18)
4. He is a King in the line of David, the fulfillment of 2 Sam. 7:12-16 (Luke 1:31-35; Acts 2:29-36; Phil. 2:6-11; Rev. 19:11-16 – Priest-King like Melchizedek Heb. 7)

Conclusion: How important is the Name to you? In Acts 11:26 disciples began to be called Christians. Wearing His Name is important. 1 Pet 4:16-17 Are you wearing His name? How important is it to you? Are you willing to suffer for His name?

We are still waiting for the Messiah – His Return! Are you ready? The King is coming back! Phil. 2:6-11. Song – “Even So Come” Lyrics

Even So Come (Lyrics)

All of creation
All of the earth
Make straight a highway
A path for the Lord
Jesus is coming soon
Call back the sinner
Wake up the saint
Let every nation shout of Your
fame

Jesus is coming soon
Like a bride waiting for her groom
We'll be a Church ready for You
Every heart longing for our King
We sing "even so come"
Lord Jesus, come
Even so come
Lord Jesus, come

Student Handout

1. The word "Christ" is a Greek word for the Hebrew word _____, which means _____.
2. What 3 groups of people were anointed in the Old Testament?
3. Because Jesus represents all three of these groups, what does he do for us as the Christ?
 - a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
4. When I wear the name _____, I wear Jesus' name. It is an honor to _____ for His name.
5. Christ is going to return and all the _____ will be raised to life, and all people will _____ His name.

Small Group Discussion Questions

1. What does the word "Christ" mean?
2. What 3 groups of people in the Old Testament were "anointed"?
3. How does Jesus fit into all three of these groups?
4. What were people meaning when they first called people Christians? What does it mean today? What should it mean to a Christian?
5. How should we live in preparation for the Lord's return? How does the Church prepare for the Lord's return?