Jesus is the Son of God, But What Does that Mean?

The New Testament clearly affirms that Jesus is the Son of God (Jn 11:27, 20:31; Lk 4:41; Mk 15:39; Matt 14:33). When Jesus is described as the Son of God, this does not mean that God the Father gave birth to or begat the Son. There was never a time when Jesus did not exist (Jn 1:1-4).

The phrase “son of ____” does not always describe a biological relationship. Sometimes the phrase “son of God” refers to those who are created by God. Angels, Adam, and the nation of Israel are described as the “sons of God.” Often, the phrase “son of ____” refers to a quality or attribute that is shared between two or more persons (see D. A. Carson’s Jesus the Son of God).

Jesus is also described as the son of God since he is the second Adam (1 Cor 15:45, Col 1:15), the representative of Israel, the true King, and, like the angels, he is God’s messenger.

Jesus is also God’s Son in another way. Galatians 4:4-5 says, “when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, so that we might receive the adoption as sons.” The Bible says the Son was sent. The Bible does not teach that Jesus became the Son. Likewise, Jesus is described as the Son who was sent in Hebrews 1:2. Jesus’ Sonship describes his relation to the Father and his equality with the Father. This relationship is also expressed when Jesus is described as the “radiance of God’s glory and the exact representation of his being” (Heb 1:3).

The Sonship of Jesus is also prominent in the Old Testament. These OT descriptions are important for understanding who Jesus is. Hebrews 1 cited some OT passages to teach the deity of Christ. The preacher of Hebrews cited Psalm 2:7, “You are my Son; today I have begotten you.” Then he cited 2 Samuel 7:14 which says, “I will be his Father, and he will be my Son.” Then the preacher said, “But about the Son he says,” and quoted Psalm 45:6, “Your throne, O God, will last forever.”

Jesus is the Son of God. This designation teaches us that Jesus is truly divine and the representative of humanity.

D. L. DeBord
Sick: Lovada Burklow is now at Tri-Star Skyline Medical Center for rehabilitation. She is improving daily with all aspects of therapy. Her address is Skyline Medical Center—Stroke Rehabilitation—3441 Dickerson Pike—Nashville, TN 37207. Attn: Lovada Burklow—Room #304. Tiny Hinson, the mother of Gary Hinson, is in the nursing home and diagnosed with the virus. Howard Spears is back in Williamson Medical with diverticulitis. Mike O’Brien is now at home following his biopsy. He is dealing with diverticulitis at this time. John Eglinton, Sr., the father of John Eglinton is at Maury Regional has had a set back in his recovery. Freida Lewis, the sister of Wilma Churchwell is improving from cancer treatments. Her address is 1202 Orlando Ave., Chattanooga, TN 37412. Skylar Everett, the granddaughter of Tom Iverson had ankle surgery Thursday, November 19th. Darlene Maloney, the daughter of Jim & Sharon Grinder is recovering from Covid and double pneumonia. Ruby Hinson, the mother of Tracie Lomax has cancer spot on her tongue. Her address is 11760 Hwy. 412 E., Linden, TN 37090. Patsy Ethridge, the aunt of Tracie Lomax is doing some better at last report.

Please keep all the patients, nurses and administration at our nursing home during the pandemic in your prayers.

Sympathy: to the family and friends of Gene Durham. His graveside service was held Friday, November 20th.


Shut-ins: Sharon Edwards, Michael Gray and Jimmy Griner

In Lewis County Nursing & Rehab Center: Tiny Hinson, Michelle Huff, Tommy Shaw, and Betty Stafford.

Remember our military: Dustin Brugmann (grandson of Jim & Sharon Grinder), Kerry Conkle (grandson of Ralph & Sue Conkle), Jacob Fite (nephew of Tommy & Sandra Clayton), Cameron Hardison (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith), Ethan Hardison (nephew of Don & Barbara Meredith), and Brent Willis (grandson of Harold & Janice Sublett).

Tennessee Children’s Home coin cans will delay pick-up until we come back to services. As you have opportunity, you can start bringing the coin cans back.

In Our Thoughts & Prayers
A special welcome to all our visitors. We are glad you have come our way. Remember that Lomax is truly a growing church for a coming Lord. And remember that The Son always shines at Lomax. And we count everyone because everyone counts. ... Yes, we face difficulties in our society today but we can go forward if we hold to God’s unchanging hand....

LIFE MOMENTS: There is nothing we like as the gleam of pleasure in a person’s eyes when he feels we have sympathized with him, understood him, and interested in his welfare. At these moments, something spiritual takes place and we go forward in the midst of the storm. Yes, we face problems today, but we can survive in the midst of the storm.

THIS TO WILL PASS...Yes, we don’t know what the future holds, it may be in the new year that will follow but continue to pray for the elders, ministers...etc. and remain faithful in the midst of the storm.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: “I see that tips are forbidden here.” “Yes, and so was the apple in the garden of Eden” .....Women are made to be loved not understood.....Always borrow from a pessimist because he never expects you to pay it back.

Boo’s Belyeu

I just finished reading about Jason & Devan Pierce unable to come home to see family for Thanksgiving due to the virus restrictions. I’m sure you have seen on the news the suggestions for masks, social distance, small gathering Thanksgiving feast. The truth is we have much to be thankful. Most of us have the opportunity to get outside somewhere and enjoy the blessing of this world. We have the ability to stay connected technology wise. We just celebrated Verlin’s 90th birthday facetime many of the grandkids and great grandkids. So before we sour on what we don’t have, remember what we do have. The most important is our faith, our church, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. 1st John 5:4-5 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. Who is the one who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

Colossians 1:13 For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, Philippians 4:19 And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

In the spirit of the holiday season let’s think on this passage from Numbers 6:24-26 The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

The Bible’s Advice on Thanksgiving

It is very interesting to note the various contexts in which the word “thanksgiving” occurs in the Bible (NKJV).

Here are just a few of the places:

- In Lev. 7:11-15, it is connected with offerings and sacrifices to God.
- In Psa. 26, it is connected with the proclaiming of God and His “wondrous works.”
- In Psa. 95, it is connected with a joyful attitude due to God’s salvation.
- In Psa. 147, it is in connection with honoring God’s goodness and constant blessings.
- In 2 Cor. 9:10-12, it is in connection with helping those who are in need.
- In Col. 4:2, it is in connection with continued prayers.
- In 1 Tim. 4:3-4, it is in connection with our meals.

So in examining these texts, we see that thanksgiving is not something separated from the everyday life of the child of God. It is to be an integral part of our daily lives. It is a way of living – true thanksgiving is “thanksliving”!

Christians have so much for which to be thankful, and daily we should live and give our thanks to God.

“As you have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving” (Col. 2:6-7)

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**BY THE NUMBERS**  
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**Schedule of Services**

- **Sunday Bible Study**: 9:00 am
- **Worship Services**: 10:00 am
- **Sunday Evening**: 6:00 pm
- **Wednesday Primetimers**: 10:00 am
- **Wednesday Bible Study**: 7:00 pm

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**ELDERS:**

- Jeff Dye — 306-8463
- John Eglinton — 446-5646
- Rick Morrow — 615-430-6663
- Mike Parker — 628-2961  
  (Please leave a message)
- Dan Spears — 796-3056

**DEACONS**

- Lynn Ammons  
  (Worship Assign., Grounds)
- Wesley Carroll  
  (Transportation, Day School)
- Matthew Farr  
  (Special Events)
- Colby Hamm  
  (Young Families Ministry)
- Chris Hunter  
  (Visitation)
- Greg Mullinicks  
  (Audio/Visual, Bulletin)
- Chuck Oppermann  
  (Missions)
- Jeff Spears  
  (Education)
- Marty Spears  
  (Finance)

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**The Lomax Congregation**  
has received a donation this past week from Joyce Midgett & Barbara Jones to go to the Food for Friends Program in the memory of Ramona Nicholson.

**Also received two donations which go to the Day School in honor of Jane West.**

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**Thank You**

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There has been a change in the Christmas Dinner. It will be a Drive-Thru pick-up for Lomax members. We will deliver to Lomax shut-ins. We do need pies for the Dinner. Please have them to the CSC by noon of the meal. The tentative date is set for December 12th if the Covid virus doesn’t affect it. There will be an ad placed in the newspaper stating will not be having the Community Christmas Dinner. This is related to the county wide dinner. Toy and coats may be picked up by members if you know someone in need. Please RSVP Mike Parker or Boo Spears about pies.