

Hello! This is Dorothy -

I have been thinking about the Son of God. When Jesus claimed to be the Son of God, He was signifying He had the same divine nature as God the Father. Several enemies of Jesus tried to kill Him, because they understood the implications of His claim. (You can read that for yourself in **Matthew 27** and **John 19**.) However, in **John 5**, the Jews sought the more to kill Him, because He said also that God was His Father, making Himself equal with God. It is vital that we understand Who Jesus is. He says He is God and He is God, and at all times never deceived us. He is equal with God. Perhaps we are as bewildered as those who lived in His day, because He came as a servant. He laid aside His glory that He might be a servant unto God and a servant unto man. And because of that, sometime we miss the whole idea of who He is, but let us ever-remember He is God.

You know, in **John 19:7**, we read He was on trial before Pilate. His enemies, the Jews, said, . . . **by our law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God.** Jesus never denied this. Scriptures declare, through the intonations and explicit predictions of the Old Testament, the deity of Jesus Christ. This is not something that suddenly happened. These very ones who sought to kill him had

missed the point of what the Scripture shows.

In **Psalm 45:7**, it says - . . . **therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee . . .** The word *Elohim* denotes the kind or nature of the being. That is, what is divine is distinct from that which is human. In other words, it is clearly shown through the Old Testament that there was the Person, the deity of Jesus Christ, but they, in their hardness of heart, had missed the fact that this was the One. They looked for one who would come as a king, but they did not know that that would not be until the second coming of the Lord.

Here He came and He was a servant. He identified himself with you and me. In **Hebrews 1:8 and 9**, we have two divine distinctive beings. One of those beings is God the Father, who is addressing the other Person, God His Son, Jesus with an ascription of deity. Listen to this: **8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of thy kingdom.** *This is God the Father speaking to God the Son. So listen again - **But unto the Son he saith. . . this is God the Father speaking - . . . Thy throne . . . this is Jesus - . . . O God,- calling Him God, which He is - . . . is forever and ever: a scepter of righteousness. . . - Who is our righteousness? Jesus Christ!*** His righteousness is that which alone stands before the heavenly Father. There is no righteousness in me; it is the righteousness of Jesus Christ. Because of the Blood of Jesus Christ,

having brought to that very holy position the very sin, which was taken care of at the Cross by My Lord Himself, I can stand right now in the righteousness of Jesus. It is . . . ***the scepter of thy kingdom.*** Do we understand Who Jesus is? Oh, let's worship Him. Sometimes we have fallen into a trap. We speak of our salvation. We spoke some words somewhere and said something and did something, and we seem to think that is all it is. It is not! Let me say this. There will be many on that day saying, **Lord, Lord,** and He will have to say, **I never knew you.** But you say, "How can that be? I am in church; I do all these good things. Look at me. Look at all the good things I have accomplished!" No, it is only in Jesus we will stand when we see He is King of kings and Lord of lords. . . . **the Word was God . . . John 1:1** declares this. **In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.** Jesus as the Word is a distinct Person from God the Father. He has the same distinct essence or nature as God. He is God.

Oh, would you, in your heart, realize this One who you take so lightly even in your Christian behavior, in how you are behaving right now in your conduct, in your writing, and in your procedures? Oh, let it be that Jesus is God in your life! Because if we understand this, it will have an impact where we are working, where we are living, in the home where we are in the community. The world has not necessarily rejected Jesus; they have rejected what we have presented as Jesus in

that we have a form of godliness, but there is no power! We are turning it out because we make our money this way and we have missed the fact Jesus is All in all! **Colossians 2:9** says - **For in him. . . -speaking of Jesus- . . . dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.** Deity, in its entirety, took up permanent residence in the physical human body of Jesus at His incarnation.

Will you right now say, O Lord, as never before, I give You the rightful place. You are King of kings and Lord of lords. Jesus, You became man that I might have a chance to come to know You and receive You personally. I worship You and I put You in the first place of my life and give You all the glory.

In Thy precious Name. Amen.