JESUS’ RELATIONSHIP TO KING DAVID
Text: Revelation 22:16

INTRO: There has been much controversy re the Deity of Jesus. We do not claim to understand all the aspects & ramifications of this subject, but we suggest it will be helpful to consider what the Bible says re Jesus’ relationship with King David.

I. THE JEWS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE MESSIAH WOULD BE THE “OFFSPRING” OR “SON” OF DAVID.

READ MATTHEW 22:41-42; JOHN 7:40-44

A. They had learned this from passages like Jer. 23:5.
   “Behold the days are coming,” says the Lord, “that I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; a King shall reign and prosper, & execute judgment & righteousness in the earth.” (Jer. 23:5).

B. Jesus was a “son,” direct descendant, of David. MT 1:1, 6; Luke 3:31-32
   1. His literal ancestry is traced by Luke through Jesus’ mother.
   2. His legal ancestry is traced by Matthew through Joseph, His supposed father.

II. BUT THE JEWS HAD MISSED THE POINT THAT IN ANOTHER SENSE, THE MESSIAH HAD PRECEDED DAVID. Christ WAS NOT ONLY DAVID’S BRANCH OR OFFSPRING, BUT HE WAS ALSO HIS ROOT & HIS LORD. READ ISAIAH 11:1-2, 10

A. Note Jesus’ claims in John 8:12-29, 54-59
B. Note Jesus’ explanation of Psalm 110.
   READ PSALM 110:1-2; READ MATT. 22:41-46

C. Note the context of Jer. 23:5. READ JER 23:5-6

III. THE SIMULTANEOUS DEITY OF JESUS & HUMANITY OF
JESUS IS A MYSTERY BEYOND OUR COMPLETE COMPREHENSION--BUT IT IS A BIBLICAL TRUTH, NONE-THE-LESS.

READ PHIL. 2:5-8; HEB 10:5-10; JOHN 1:1-3, 14

CONCLUSION: The Lord & God of David humbled Himself & became the “son” of David that He might pay the price for our sins. He is worthy of all our love, all our obedience, all our praise now & forever, as long as God gives us life & breath.

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