

Jesus Is - The Son  
Lk.3:22-23  
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Dan.7:13-14; Mat.9:6-8; Mk.2:1-12; Lk.5:24

Mt.16:13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." 15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" 16 Simon Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

Jesus, as we have seen in last week's lesson is God and He is King of kings. This week's lesson we will clearly see that Jesus is "Son of Man" and "Son of God". How is Jesus both? What Scripture shows us is that Jesus is born of a woman and the Holy Spirit (God).

Since we have just been thru the Christmas season it will still be fresh on our minds that Mary, a young virgin girl, became the Mother of Jesus. (Lk.1:26-56) In Luke we see that God sent an angel named Gabriel to Mary to let her know that God had chosen her to bear His child. Mary accepted God's

invitation. We also see from Mary's visit with Elizabeth that life in the womb is already consciously aware before birth. And that Mary is already with child. (Lk.1:41-44, 49)

In this account of Luke's we also see the 1<sup>st</sup> reference to who Jesus would be; the Son of God. (Lk.1:32, 35) Remember what Gabriel told Zechariah when he questioned the validity of the message? "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God and I was sent...." (Lk.1:19) It is this same Angel who was sent also to Mary. He knows what he is talking about.

Does Luke know what he is talking about? Is Luke reliable? Yes, Luke did a thorough investigation into these things and is accurate in his portrayal of these accounts. (Lk.1:1-3) (side note: Luke's accounts in the Gospel and in Acts may well have been the evidence to the court for Paul's defense before Rome. Very plausible)

Did Jesus understand His own dual existence? Yes! Jesus knew that He was the Son of man and the Son of God. (Mat.16:13-20; Lk.12:8-10; Mt.10:32-33) The passages and references to Jesus being the Son of man are plentiful and so are the passages that declare Jesus, in the flesh as being God's Son. Because of these two truths Jesus is qualified to redeem you from your sins.