

Jesus' Mission - Part 1

Text: Luke 19:10

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INTRODUCTION - *Matt. 28:18-20; Luke 19:10*

I. JESUS' MISSION WAS TO IDENTIFY WITH HUMANITY

- A. This is indicated by the statement "The Son of Man," which Jesus often used when referring to Himself (*Matt. 12:32; 13:37 | Luke 12:8 | John 1:51*)
- B. There are two things one must know about Christ to fully appreciate who He is and what He has done to identify with humanity.
 - 1) Christ's pre-existence (*John 8:58; 17:5*)
 - 2) Christ's incarnation (*John 1: 1, 2, 14*)
 - a) The Word (logos) became flesh (*Phil 2:5-9*)
 - i) In becoming "flesh," Jesus did not change. He kept His deity. He was made in the likeness of men by taking on human flesh. Jesus was both fully human and fully divine. He was God in the flesh.
 - b) The Incarnation was essential for Jesus' mission
 - i) Through the Incarnation, God revealed Himself to humanity in a tangible and relatable form (*John 1:18; 14:7-11*)
 - ii) The Incarnation provided a model for men to follow
 - iii) The Incarnation revealed God's profound love for the world
 - iv) The Incarnation allowed Jesus to identify with human suffering (*Heb. 4:14-16*)
 - v) The Incarnation provided the world with a savior (*Rom. 5:6-11*)