

God Manifest in the Flesh

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684. *Why is our Saviour called Jesus Christ?*

Because he is thus pointed out as the anointed one, the great deliverer, king, priest, and prophet, who was to come and to fulfil all righteousness.

685. When we say that Jesus is the Christ, we, in effect, say, "This is He of whom Moses, in the law, and the prophets wrote; the seed of the woman who was to bruise the head of the serpent; the seed of Abraham in whom all the nations of the earth were to be blessed; the great prophet to be raised up like unto Moses, whom all were to hear and obey; the priest, after the order of Melchizedek; the rod out of the stem of Jesse, which should stand for an ensign of the people, to which the Gentiles should seek; the Virgin's son, whose name should be called Immanuel; the branch of Jehovah; the angel of the covenant; the Lord of the temple, etc., etc., whose appropriate appellations should be Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isaiah ix. 6.) All this is implied in saying that Jesus is the Christ. In the plainer language of the New Testament, Jesus Christ means "God manifest in the flesh." (1 Timothy iii. 16.)

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