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# THREE ASPECTS OF JESUS

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*Seeing the Biblical Presentation of Jesus*

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# JESUS — THE ETERNAL GOD

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- John presents Jesus as unquestionably divine.
- John 1.1-4 (p1220)
  - “In the beginning” calls back to Genesis 1 — Jesus is already there
  - He is divine — He is God
  - He is the Creator of all we see
  - He is the giver of life
- “Why does John say Jesus was God? Did he stop being God?”
  - Greek tense of “was God” is 3rd person, singular, imperfect
  - Imperfect verbs indicate “something that happens in the past” and “something that is continued” (Greek Tenses Explained, EzraProject).
  - “The word ἦν [was and continues to be] God”

# JESUS — THE MAN

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## ➤ Consider how Matthew describes Jesus:

### ➤ Matthew 1.18-23 (p1111-1112)

- Brought into this world deliberately
- Born to be the Savior
- Born “Immanuel” — God into this world

## ➤ John continues to reveal more about Jesus.

### ➤ John 1.14-18 (p1220)

- The Word, God (1.1), the only begotten (1.14), became flesh
- “Became” is a different tense than John 1.1 — it is aorist. It references punctiliar action (occurring at a specific moment in time).
- He became flesh to show us the Father

# JESUS — THE SAVIOR

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- Both Matthew and John noted that Jesus was coming to be the Savior — but how would He save?
  - By bringing grace and truth — John 1.17 (p1220)
  - By showing His dominion — John 11.21-44 (p1237-1238)
  - By preaching light and repentance — Matthew 4.14-17 (p1114)
  - By calling people to righteousness — Matthew 5.20 (p1115)
  - By calling people to obedience — Matthew 5.19 (p1115)
  - By calling the weary to rest — Matthew 11.28-30 (p1124)
  - By laying down His life — Matthew 26.26-29 (p1145-1146)
  - By rising from the dead — Matthew 28.18-20 (p1150)