Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

The Lord Has Come Luke 2:8-14 Suggested Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

1. Who is "the LORD"?

- A. "LORD" is How God has Chosen to Identify Himself (Ex 3:14-15)
- B. The LORD is the Creator of the Universe (Gen 1:1ff)
- C. The LORD is the Ruler of the Universe (Gen 6:11-13; Job 38:1ff)

2. Jesus is the LORD.

It is often charged that Jesus never claimed to be God and that deity was forced upon Jesus centuries later by men seeking to consolidate power over others. Nothing could be further from the truth.

- A. Jesus was Proclaimed LORD Before His Birth (Luke 1:32-33; John 1:1-3)
- B. Jesus was Proclaimed LORD at the Time of His Birth (John 1:14; Luke 2:11)
- C. Jesus Proclaimed Himself LORD During His Earthly Ministry (Luke 5:24; John 8:58)
- D. Jesus was Proclaimed LORD by Others During His Earthly Ministry (John 20:28; Matt 14:33)
- E. Jesus was Proclaimed LORD After His Resurrection (Acts 2:36; Rom 1:4; 2 Cor 4:5)

3. Jesus as the LORD.

Because Jesus is Lord, He has the power, authority, and ability to make demands upon your life. Though this truth is loathsome to rebellious humanity, it is an inseparable to the Person of Jesus Christ.

- A. He Created You (Ps 139:13-16)
- B. He Sustains You (Col 1:17)
- C. He Knows You (Ps 139:1-8; cf. Matt 7:21-23)
- D. He Commands You (Matt 7:13-14; John 14:6; cf. Acts 17:30-31)
- E. He Will Receive You (John 3:16; 6:37-40; 10:27-29; Rom 10:9-10)