

Before Time and Coming Willingly to this Earth as a Man:

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Today, like every first day of the week we are remembering Jesus Christ.

Every first day of the week we remember the death, burial, and the resurrection of our savior as a memorial of his sacrifice.

Today we are going to also think about before Jesus went to the cross.

Where does the life of Jesus begin?

We read of his birth in Matthew the first chapter. But is this the beginning of the Son of God? Not according to the Apostle John.

John 1:1-5

¹In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. ⁴In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Here we see that Jesus (The Word) was with God in the beginning, and was God, and that all things were made through Him.

Colossians 1:13-18

¹³He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the Kingdom of the son of His love, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the first born over all creation. ¹⁶For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him for Him. ¹⁷And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. ¹⁸And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the first born from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence (or greatness).

John 17:5

⁵And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.

Genesis 1:26

²⁶Then God said “let Us make man in Our image according to Our likeness”.

From these scriptures, we see that Jesus was with God from before the beginning of time. And that He was a very active part of the Godhead.

Now, why did Jesus leave heaven?

Was Jesus forced or did He have to be persuaded by God to come to this earth? NO!

2nd Corinthians 8:9

⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might become rich.

Why was Jesus willing to leave heaven where He was God, where He was Glory?

Because of His great love for His Father and His great love for us!

John 6:38-40

³⁸“For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day. ⁴⁰And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day.”

Truly He loved us so!

All scriptures taken from the NKJ