

The Son of the Highest, Part 1

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- Luke 1:26-38 (1071)—Mary is told many things in this passage by the Angel Gabriel that are worthy of study. This morning I want to spend some time looking at Jesus as the Son of the Highest and what that means dispensationally.
- The word “Highest” appears twice in this passage and Jesus is explicitly described as being the “Son of the Highest.”
- Luke 1:31-33—in naming his Jesus there multiple things that are true of him.
 - He shall be great
 - Shall be called the Son of the Highest
 - Lord God will give unto him the throne of his father David
 - Reign over the house of Jacob
 - Of his kingdom there shall be no end.

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- Matthew 1:18-21 (994)—God the Father names Jesus in faith for what his will accomplish before he does it.
- Luke 1:35—the Holy Ghost coming upon Mary coupled with the “power of the Highest” overshadowing her will produce the birth of the Son of God.
- The Highest is directly involved in the conception of Jesus Christ to the degree that Christ is called the “Son of the Highest.”
- Luke 2:14—“Glory to God in the highest”
- Luke 1:76—John the Baptist was to be the prophet of the Highest.

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- Luke 8:28 (1084)—even the demons in the maniac of Gadara recognize Christ as the “Son of the God most high.” The expression “most high” comes from same Greek word translated “Highest” in the passages we have already looked at.
 - Acts 7:48 (1158)—“the most High”
 - Acts 16:17 (1171)—“the most high God”
 - Hebrews 7:1 (1296)—“the most high God”

What's In a Name?

- Genesis 14:18-22 (23)—the title “the most high God” is a specific title that means to be the possessor of heaven and earth. Jesus Christ is the Son of the Highest.
- Genesis 1:1 (3)—God created two realms of authority heaven and earth.
- Isaiah 14:12-14 (726)—Lucifer’s original boast is comprised in these five “I will” statements. The 5th and final statement comprises the ultimate goal of Satan’s plan of evil to be “like the most High.” What would Satan need to be to be “like the most High.” He would need to usurp and possess God authority in heaven and earth for himself.

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- Ephesians 2:2 (1251)—Paul calls Satan “the prince the power of the air.”
 - Ezekiel 28:12-19 (871)—Satan received this title by leading a rebellion in the heavenly places and causing a portion of the heavenly hosts to rebel against God.
 - Job 15:15 (578)
- John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11 (1133)—Satan is called “the prince of this world”
 - Genesis 1:26-28—when Satan tempted and deceived Adam and Eve the authority in the Earth that God had vested in Adam was stolen by Satan.
 - Job 1:7-8
 - Matthew 8:8-9—this is not a real temptation if Satan does not possess these kingdoms under his authority.

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- Genesis 3:15 (9)—immediately following mankind's fall into sin God promised to send a redeemer via the “seed of the woman.”
- Luke 1:32, 35 (1071)—the most high God overshadowed Mary at the time of Christ's conception. All three members of the Godhead where involved in bringing about the birth of Christ.
 - God the Father—overshadowed Mary
 - God the Son—was conceived in the virgin's womb and was found in fashion as a man (Phil. 2:8).
 - God the Holy Spirit—the active agent which caused the conception of Christ in the Mary's womb.
- Lying in the manger that first Christmas morning was “the Son of the Highest.” The one whom the most high God was going to use to reclaim heaven and earth back to himself.

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- Ephesians 1:10 (1250)—Christ the Son of the Highest is the one through whom God the Father is going to gather all things in heaven and earth back under his authority. We will discuss more about how that will be accomplished next Sunday.