

Lecture 15 – The Person of Christ: A Systematic Summary of Christology

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.” John 1: 1-5

Key Terms

Chiasm, content, pre-existence, incarnation

Objectives

*Summarize the key place of John 1 in a proper understanding of Christ.

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- A. The christology of Psalm 110
- B. Christological heresies
- C. Systematic summary of christology
 1. Introduction
 - a. John 1
 - 1) Literary context: chiasm
 - a. v 1 Word
 - b. v 2 Light
 - b' v 9 Light > world
 - a' v 14 Word > flesh
 - 2) Theological context
 - 3) Literary context: background and terms
 - 4) What does this passage teach us of the Son of God?
 - a) Pre-existence
 - b) Incarnation