

Lecture 18 – The Person of Christ: A Systematic Summary of Christology (cont.)

“This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit. Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly. But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, ‘Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.’” Matthew 1:18-21

Key Terms

Pre-existence, incarnation, virgin birth, deity, humanity, unity, two states

Objectives

- *Identify the traditional categories with which we study the doctrine of Christ.
- *Gain an appreciation for the implication of each for our worship and service.

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- A. The christology of Psalm 110
- B. Christological heresies
- C. Systematic summary of christology
 - 1. Introduction
 - 2. Systematic categories of christology
 - a. Pre-existence of Christ
 - b. Incarnation
 - c. The virgin birth/conception
 - 1) Luke 1:34-38
 - 2) Matthew 1:18-25
 - d. The deity of Christ
 - 1) Overview
 - a) Categories
 - (1) Jesus has the nature of God
 - (2) Jesus has the titles of God
 - (3) Jesus has the attributes of God
 - (4) Jesus does the works of God
 - (5) Jesus receives the worship due God
 - (6) The *extra-calvinisticum*