

2 Peter Series

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THE DEITY OF CHRIST

2 PETER 1:1B

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**Acts 1:17, “for he was numbered with us
and obtained a part in this ministry.”**

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ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ τοῦ θεοῦ

en dikaiosune tou theou

by means of the righteousness of God

Christ’s righteousness provided this valuable faith

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What was “obtained?”

From whom was it obtained?

***en*, BDAG: 10. marker of cause or reason, because of, on account**

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Justice

Omnipotent

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Veracity

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When the copulative καὶ connects two nouns of the same case, [viz. nouns (either substantive or adjective, or participles) of personal description, respecting office, dignity, affinity, or connexion, and attributes, properties, or qualities, good or ill], if the article ὁ, or any of its cases, precedes the first of the said nouns or participles, and is not repeated before the second noun or participle, the latter always relates to the same person that is expressed or described by the first noun or participle: i.e., it denotes a farther description of the first-named person

“In Greek, when two nouns are connected by καί and the article precedes only the first noun, there is a close connection between the two. That connection always indicates at least some sort of unity. At a higher level, it may connote equality. At the highest level it may indicate identity.”

~Dan Wallace

“A proper noun is defined as a noun which cannot be ‘pluralized’—thus it does not include titles. A person’s name, therefore, is proper and consequently does not fit the rule. But θεός is not proper because it can be pluralized—thus, when θεός is in a TSKS construction in which both nouns are singular and personal, it fits Sharp’s rule. Since θεοί is possible (cf. John 10:34), θεός is not a proper name.”

~Wallace, *Grammar*, fn 42

2 Pet. 1:11, “for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

2 Pet. 2:20, “For if, after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, they are again entangled in them and overcome, the latter end is worse for them than the beginning.”

2 Pet. 3:18, “but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.”

1. “kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.”

**βασιλείαν τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν καὶ σωτῆρος
Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.**

***Basileian tou (art) kuriou (n) hemon
(pronoun) kai soterou (n.) Iesou Chrisou
(pr noun)***

2. knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

**ἐν ἐπιγνώσει τοῦ κυρίου καὶ σωτήρος
Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ,**

***en epignosei tou (art) kuriou (n) kai
(conj) soterou (n.) Iesou Chrisou (pr
noun)***

3. knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

**γνώσει τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν καὶ σωτῆρος
Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ**

***gnosei tou (art) kuriou (n) hemon
(pronoun) kai (conj) soteris (n.) Iesou
Christou (pr noun)***

Titus 2:13, “looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,”

**What the Bible Teaches
About
*The Deity of Christ***



1. Prophesied in the Old Testament: Not to mention Isa. 7:14, *Immanuel*, “God with us”

**Mic. 5:2, “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
Though you are little among the thousands
of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to
Me the One to be Ruler in Israel, Whose
goings forth are from of old, from
everlasting.”**

Isa. 9:6, “For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

Isa. 9:7, “There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore.”

John 1:1, “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with [πρὸς, *pros*] God, and the Word was God.

John 1:2, “He was in the beginning with God.

John 1:3, “All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.”

John 8:58 and Jesus' "I Am" Statements.

- 1. John 4:26, "Jesus said to her, 'I who speak to you am He.' "**

"I AM, the one who speaks to you."

**John 4:26 λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἐγώ εἰμι,
ὁ λαλῶν σοι.**

- 2. John 6:35, “And Jesus said to them, ‘I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.’”**
- John 6:48, “I am the bread of life.”**
- John 6:51, “I am the living bread which came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever; and the bread that I shall give is My flesh, which I shall give for the life of the world.”**
- John 6:41, “The Jews then complained about Him, because He said, ‘I am the bread which came down from heaven.’ ”**

3. **John 8:12**, “Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, ‘I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.’ ”
- John 8:24**, “Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins.”
- John 8:28**, “Then Jesus said to them, ‘When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am *He*, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things.’ ”

4. **John 8:58**, “Jesus said to them, ‘Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM.’ ”

**5. John 10:11, “I am the good shepherd.
The good shepherd gives His life for the
sheep.”**

6. **John 11:25**, “Jesus said to her, ‘**I am** the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.’ ”
7. **John 13:19**, “Now I tell you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe that **I am He**.”
8. **John 14:6**, “Jesus said to him, ‘**I am** the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’ ”

9. **John 18:6**, “Now when He said to them, ‘I am He,’ they drew back and fell to the ground.

John 18:7, “Then He asked them again, ‘Whom are you seeking?’ And they said, ‘Jesus of Nazareth.’

John 18:8, “Jesus answered, ‘I have told you that I am He. Therefore, if you seek Me, let these go their way,’ ”

Col. 1:16, “For 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 and for Him.

Col. 1:17, “And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.”

Col. 2:9, “For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily;”

Rom. 9:5, “of whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen.”

Rom 9:5, “of whom the fathers and from whom the Messiah according to the flesh who is over all the eternally blessed God, amen.” ~RLD

Rev. 1:11, “saying, ‘I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last,’ and, ‘What you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea.’ ”

Isa. 44:6, “Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel,

And his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts:

‘I am the First and I am the Last;

Besides Me there is no God.’ ”

Isa. 48:12, “Listen to Me, O Jacob,

And Israel, My called:

I am He, I am the First,

I am also the Last.”

Matt. 9:2, “Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, ‘Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you.’”

Matt. 9:3, “And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, ‘This Man blasphemes!’”

Matt. 9:4, “But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, ‘Why do you think evil in your hearts?’”

Matt. 9:5, “‘For which is easier, to say, “Your sins are forgiven you,” or to say, “Arise and walk”?’”

Matt. 8:25, “Then His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, ‘Lord, save us! We are perishing!’

Matt. 8:26, “But He said to them, ‘Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?’ Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm.”

Mark 14:61, “But He kept silent and answered nothing. Again the high priest asked Him, saying to Him, ‘*Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?*’

Mark 14:62, “Jesus said, ‘I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.’

Mark 14:63, “Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, ‘What further need do we have of witnesses?’

Mark 14:64, “ ‘You have heard the blasphemy! What do you think?’ And they all condemned Him to be deserving of death.”

Dan. 7:13, “I was watching in the night visions,

**And behold, One like the Son of Man,
Coming with the clouds of heaven!**

He came to the Ancient of Days,

And they brought Him near before Him.

**Dan. 7:14, “Then to Him was given
dominion and glory and a kingdom,**

**That all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve Him. [LXX *latreuo*]**

**His dominion is an everlasting dominion,
Which shall not pass away,**

And His kingdom the one

Which shall not be destroyed.”