Series "The God Who Serves" "The Question Of Questions" Mark 12:35-37 Study-50

Who Is Jesus Christ? And is He in fact the Messiah? And is He even more than that, the Son of God, God incarnate?

John 20:30-31

This encounter is recorded in 3 Gospels: Matthew 22:41-46; Mark 12:35-37; Luke 20:41-44

The Thought Of Our Passage: Jesus, The Son Of David, The Messiah, Was More Than A Man, He Was God Who Became Man."

- 1. Verse 35 The Messiah, David's Son
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1. Verse 35 - The Messiah, David's Son:

Mark 12:35

Mark 11:27-12:37 – Jesus is questioned and examined by the religious leaders:

- 1. (Mark 11:27-12:12) Jesus and <u>Authority</u> Why has He received Worship, cleansing the temple?
- 2. (Mark 12:13-17) Jesus and <u>Taxes</u> should God's followers support ungodly government?
- 3. (Mark 12:18-27) Jesus and Eternity what about Life after death?
- 4. (Mark 12:28-34) Jesus and <u>Priorities</u> what is the Great Commandment?

Mark 12:34

Context: Greatest Commandment is to love God

Mark 12:35-37 – Jesus questions them as to His true <u>Identity</u> (Who is He?)

This is Jesus' last invitation to the religious leaders.

Matt 22:41 – "Now while the Pharisees were gathered together,"

Jesus' Question was to Save Them! Their Question Was To Arrest and Kill Him!

Scribes – were also called Lawyers, "The Experts Of The Law."

"say that the Christ" - "Messiah, the Anointed One"

The Scribes taught that the Messiah would be the son of David. Matthew 22:42

The Davidic Covenant: 2 Samuel 7:12-13

Psalm 89:3-4

Psalm 132:11

The Scribes' answer is correct that the Messiah is the Son of David, but it is inadequate.

Matthew 16:15-16

Luke's Gospel records 4X that Jesus was of the bloodline of David. Luke 1:27

Matt 1:1

Mark 10:46-48

Mark 11:10

Luke 19:37-40

Not only would the Christ be the son of David but He would also be the Son of God.

2. Verse 36 - Scripture Regarding David's Son:

Mark 12:36

It's not enough to say the Messiah is the Son of David. Why is it not enough? Because David refers to Him as Lord.

Acts 2:34-35; 1 Cor 15:25; Heb 1:13; 10:13

"in the Holy Spirit," - God's Word, Divine, Inspired. Matt 22:43

We Have The Trinity In This Verse: Holy Spirit, "The Lord (God the Father Yahweh) said to my Lord," (Adonai, Jesus the Messiah)

Jesus Takes The Religious Back To The Word of God: Psalm 110:1 which was known as a Messianic Psalm.

"The Lord said to my Lord," — This could be translated "The Father said to the Son" or "God the Father said to His Son Jesus Christ"

Divine Exultation Of Jesus Christ: "Sit at My right hand, Until I put Thine enemies beneath Thy feet." Taking a place at the right hand of God makes Jesus co-equal in rank and co-equal in authority, and virtually declares Jesus' Deity. "Take Your permanent seat."

Philippians 2:8-11

"Until I put Thine enemies beneath Thy feet." – God the Father would make footstools of the enemies of Jesus Christ. Luke 20:43

Jesus chose Psalm 110 over all other available texts for several reasons:

- 1. Since the Messiah was commonly understood to be a "son of David," who could speak with more authority on his son than David?
- 2. Psalm 110 went beyond the issue of the Messiah's humanity and His Deity; it also taught that He would be priest of an entirely different order than the Aaronic priesthood.
- 3. Psalm 110 reveals the attitude of David as Israel's leader, to the superiority of his Son.
- 4. Psalm 110 confronts the Jewish nation and spiritual leaders for their rejection of Jesus as the Christ.

3. Verse 37 - David's Son Is God's Son:

Mark 12:37

"David himself calls Him 'Lord'; and so in what sense is He his son?" – "How is Christ, David's Lord as well as David's Son?"

How could the Christ be a physical descendent of David and at the same time (Lord) God?

The only explanation is Messiah must be both God and man.

"The Incarnation of the Son of God." That Jesus was not a man who became God, but He was God who became man.

Is. 7:14

Rom. 1:3

Jesus Christ is the "Son of David" – this is His Humanity.

Jesus Christ is the "Son of God" – this is <u>His Deity</u>.

Jesus is Lord – Affects every aspect of life.

"And the great crowd enjoyed listening to Him."

Mark 6:20

Matt 22:46

John 12:37-40

Application:

- 1. Who Is Jesus Christ? Every Person Must Decide For Themselves. Is He A Man Whom Became God? Or, God To Whom Became Man?
- 2. If We Miss The Answer To This Question, "How Can Jesus Be Both Son And Lord?" We Will Miss Life Itself.
- 3. If We Will Turn From Our Sins And Place Our Faith In Jesus Christ As Our Messiah, We Can Be Forgiven Of Our Sins And Be Given New Life.