

“What he was, he remained; what he was not, he became.”

Gregory of Nazianus

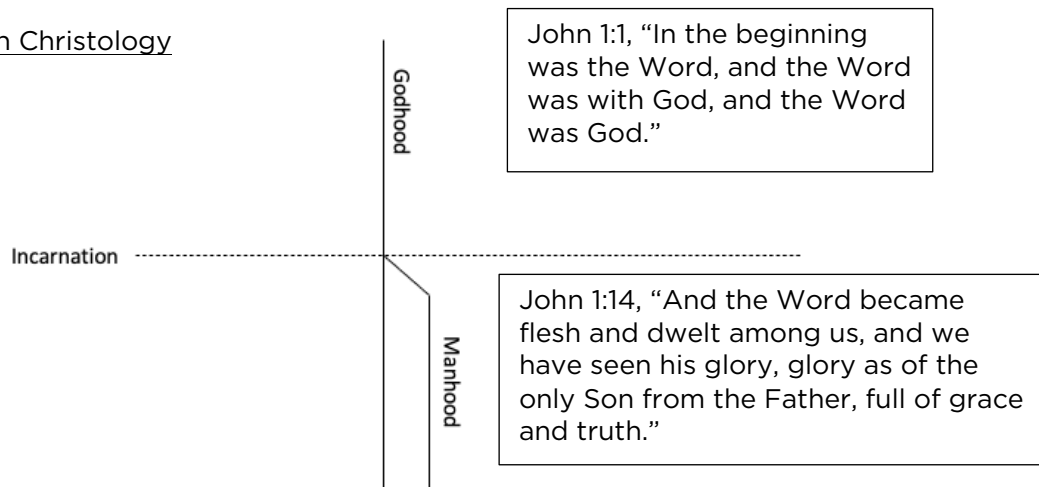
Did the Son of God exist before Jesus was born?

### The Dispute

#### Eutychianism

monophysitism = \_\_\_\_\_ - “our Lord was of two natures before the union, but after the union only one.”

#### Chalcedonian Christology

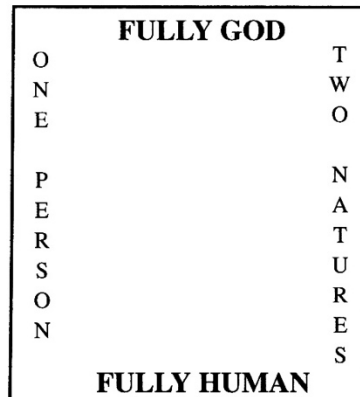


#### Christ's Body: When, What, and Where?

1. Pre-incarnation = \_\_\_\_\_ body
2. Incarnation to death = \_\_\_\_\_ body
3. Resurrection to future = \_\_\_\_\_ body

**First Council: Nicea (AD 325)**  
Condemned *Arianism*  
Soteriological axiom: "God alone can save us."

**Third Council:  
Ephesus (AD 431)**  
Condemned  
*Nestorianism.*  
Specified the one  
person of Christ.



**Fourth Council:  
Chalcedon (AD 451)**  
Condemned  
*Eutychianism.*  
Maintained the two nature  
without confusion or change,  
separation or division.

**Second Council: Constantinople I (AD 381)**  
Re-affirmed Nicaea, condemned *Apollinarianism.*  
Soteriological Axiom: "That which is not assumed is not healed."

## Potayto Potahto

1 John 4:2 says, "By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God..."

Christ must be fully human, without confusion or change...

1. As a representative
  - Our representative in \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 5:18-19)
  - Our substitutionary \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 2:16-17)
2. As a pattern
  - Our example and pattern in \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Peter 2:21)
  - Our pattern of \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Corinthians 15:20-23)
3. In his work
  - He is our \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Timothy 2:5)
  - He is our \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 4:14-15)

"It is necessary that the self-same Person who is to make this satisfaction [for sin] be perfect God and perfect man, since He cannot make it unless He be really God, and He ought not to make it unless He be really man."

Anselm of Canterbury

## Heresy and Majesty

1. Pendulums - Theological \_\_\_\_\_ aren't helpful.
2. Power - Christians don't do well with \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Incarnation - Who is like our God?

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