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His Arm Does

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TWO MORE BIBLE TEXT TO ADD TO THE PREVIOUS FIVE SHOWING THAT THE MSC'S DOCTRINE OF CHRIST IS SCRIPTURAL: WILL JOHNATHAN COME FORTH IN INTEGRITY AND ADMIT HIS FALSE ACCUSATION? OR, WILL HE ETERNALLY ALLIGN HIMSELF WITH THE FATHER OF LIES? WILL THE MODERATOR OF THE FORUM, WALT, EXALT THE STANDARDS OF HONESTY AND INTEGRITY AS THE UNDERPINNING THEME OF THIS FORUM BY DEMANDING AN ANSWER OR AN APOLOGY FROM JOHNATHAN, OR WILL HE CAPITULATE AS WELL---STAY TUNED

Johnathan,

In your prior E-mail you made the false accusation that the MSC's doctrine of Christ, the doctrine which explains that Christ rested upon Jesus as promised in *Deut 18* has no scriptural basis to it. Since that time I have given you five bible-based doctrines to counter your argument. Are you ready to confess your deception? Below is another Scripture to prove that Christ pre-existed but that Jesus did not. It shows that they are two separate people. The only question is the one posed in the text, "Who hath believed our report?"

Isa 53, the entire chapter, shows that Jesus grew up and that Christ did not. In fact, it shows that Jesus grew up before the Lord. It reveals that Christ led Him as a Lamb to the slaughter; Christ was pleased to bruise Jesus. These things were done while Father was clearly defined as being in heaven. Below is

Bible-Based Evidence Number Six:

It says,

"Who hat believed our report? And to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed. For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant...the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all... yet, it pleased the Lord to bruise him" —Isa 53

The Arm of the Lord is revealed to David, the one who proclaims the name of the Lord. Thus can we answer again your other question:

"...If Christ rested on Jesus only during the 3 1/2 years of His Ministry, then tell me How did Simeon receive word from the Holy Spirit, that he would not see death before he had seen THE LORD'S CHRIST. And by judging from Luke 2:26 and 30 Simeon is laying his eyes on the Child Jesus." —Johnathan, E-mail, Sunday, September 16, 2007 8:38 PM

Your question proves the position of the MSC. In fact, it provides

Bible-Based Evidence Number Seven:

Luke two presents Jesus as someone else's Christ. It calls Jesus the Lord's Christ. Thus it is deploying the word Christ as a title. Therefore, any who can count to two can discern that two people—not One, individual, Jesus—are being described; they are the Lord and His Christ. And since Jesus testified on several occasions that Father is in heaven; that the Jewish church, even though they call Him God, did not know the Father (John 8: 54, 55); that the Prophet of *Deut*

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18 would testify using the name of Christ, not Father; etc then we must conclude that the second person identified in this text is Christ. Equally clear, is that the term “Christ” in this text is deployed as an Object, One possessed by another Person, the Lord. For example, when describing the beautiful Abigail, the Bible shows that she became David’s wife. The two sentence structures are the same; both show a subject and a predicate or an objective noun: **David’s wife**, the **Lord’s Christ**. Just as clear thinkers would not consider Abigail the same person as David, likewise, are you exposing your gross ignorance by claiming that the Lord’s Christ refers to the Lord Himself. The Bible clearly shows that Christ, the speaker whose hidden presence was rested upon Jesus, takes on the title, Lord. He says, “...*many will say unto me in that day, Lord, Lord...*” —Matt 7: 22. Therefore this person, called Lord, is the first person identified in your text that shows two people when it says, “the Lord’s Christ”. The Bible also shows that Christ was the God of the Old Testament: “*In the beginning was the Word...in Him was life; and the life was the light of men [the Bible]...*” —John 1: 1-4. Therefore, knowing that the term “Christ” means, anointed one, all can clearly discern that when Jesus is called, “the Lord’s Christ”, then that expression manifest that He was born with a special mission from the Word, the Lord, the one in the beginning. He is the One spoken of in *Deut 18* as well as other places including the above cited text found in *Isa 53*. In *Isa 53*, He is called the arm of the Lord, whereby it is said that “it pleased the Lord to bruise him”.

[Side Bar: Educated readers, please note the Subject, the predicate, and the Object in that phrase! The Subject is the Lord; He is pleased. The predicate is bruised. The Object is Him. If the Object were the same as the subject, it would read as follows: It pleased the Lord to bruise Himself]

He, Jesus, is the One who is to be anointed to speak for Christ as Christ, adheres to His covenant agreement by clandestinely speaking to the church through a Prophet, one like unto Moses.

Jesus is the Lord’s Christ; He is the one who has been anointed to execute Christ’s mission. He is not Christ; He is His figurative Arm. The Arm is not the Man; it merely heeds all of the commands given to it by the Man. Jesus is the visible instrument of control for Christ, His Arm, the extension of His power. In other words, the Lord does not grow up as a tender plant; **HIS ARM DOES**. Christ was not born, Jesus was. And while imprisoned in the womb like all men, Jesus began by the union of a small, invisible-to-the-eye seed and an egg: he had “no form nor comeliness.” Like all babies, when He first appeared, He did not have the handsome majesty as He did as an adult; in fact, when we humans first saw him in the manger, instead of seeing the majestic Ruler, the beautiful Prince of God, Jesus was like all men whereby it could be said “*there is no beauty that we should desire him.*” Christ, being a majestic man, one who formed us in His image, was not unattractive, Jesus, at birth, covered with the bloodied, post-birth excretions that cover all humans at birth, with His features under developed and His head molded to fit the birth canal, Jesus needed years to develop, just as all humans do. Thus, Jesus went through a stage in which Christ never did, and during that stage of growth, there was not beauty that we should desire him.

Finally, some who are determined to resist the Spirit of Truth, will argue that Christ and Messiah both mean, the anointed one. However, if that which I have been told even on this very forum is true, the two words share different language origins, Christ, meaning anointed in Greek, Messiah in the Hebrew. Christ, having pre-existed, was not an Hebrew; He created the Hebrews. Jesus, born of Mary, was indeed adopted into that culture. Both terms, Messiah and Christ, were often used simultaneously and in the same sentence during the *Testimony of Jesus* proving that the deployment of the one term was not a translation for the other. This is properly so since Christ, according to inspiration, was anointed by Father to be His Arm, His spokesman. This fact speaks to the humiliation of Satan, because, according to inspiration, he objected to Christ’s anointing allowing angels to worship Him. Thus does Satan desire to eliminate this term, meaning anointing, to be excluded from our vocabulary. The *Branch Movement* has obediently

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complied. Satan's warfare was not personally against Christ if you consider that it was a manifestation that Christ ranked over him. Being second in command to Father, Christ had a vessel that would likewise become elevated for all to worship, the Only Begotten, Jesus. Like Christ is to Father, Jesus would likewise become Christ's Spokesman. Thus was Jesus His Christ; yet, He was called Messiah. And since Christ received His testimony directly from Father and since Jesus perfectly articulated those themes through His tongue and lips, them both reflect the Word of God and both shared the same title, Christ and Messiah. Is there a distinction? None was needed until today, the last Day when David proclaims the name of Christ, the separate identities of Both Individuals. The distinction is made merely by the different language that is deployed. For this reason, Christ appropriates the Greek name to Himself, in several places, one of which He says, "...*many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ...*" To Christ, this is not a title but a name. To Jesus, both Christ and Messiah are titles. The devils, perhaps being actual witnesses to Christ's original anointing sometime before the creation and before the great controversy unwittingly prove this point. They, without the Lord's rebuke, attest to the favor that Christ had with Father in times past, and they also recognized that He was a different person from Jesus. They said, "...**what have we to with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth?...I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God...and the devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the Son of God. And he rebuking them suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ**" —Luke 4: 34, 41. They recognized Christ's hidden presence upon Jesus; they knew Him to be different than Jesus; they understood His anointing years before creation as the Holy One of God. Thus, the term can be employed and applied to both people, Jesus and Christ simply because both were anointed, Christ the Arm of Father and Jesus the Arm of Christ.

Sincerely,

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