

"JESUS CHRIST: EVER THE SAME"**Introduction**

1. All things are changing here below
2. We ourselves are changing
3. But here is One who does not change

1. JESUS CHRIST IS AN ETERNAL PERSON

- 1) These terms: eternity past / this very moment / eternity to come
Cp. frail man: Psalm 90; Isaiah 40; James 1
APPLICATION: Be clear: Jesus Christ is God
- 2) We may view Christ in different ways:
 - (i) O.T.: the manifestations: to Adam / to the patriarchs / to Moses / to Isaiah
OBSERVE: The efficacy of sacrifices = shadows of Christ's work
 - (ii) Incarnation: The same Person, but now with two natures:
 - a Virgin-Birth. Because a Second Adam
 - difference between Adam and Christ
 - the life, sufferings and death of Christ
 - (iii) The Two States: Humiliation + Exaltation
The first state is preparatory to the second
 - (iv) The Future Coming of Christ:
 - the end of human history
 - the glory of His Person**APPLICATION**: All who ever were saved from Adam to the end – all through Christ. He is our great Hope!

2. IN ALL AGES CHRIST IS "THE SAME"

- 1) He is the same:
 - (i) in His Person as the Son of God:
TEXTS to show this: John 1, Hebrews 1; Colossians 1.
So our text also confirms.

- (ii) the only Redeemer, whose blood has availed in all ages, because He has mediated grace in all ages:
ILLUSTRATION: Rahab, Ruth, etc.
 - (iii) in all places acknowledged by those whom God calls to salvation:
ILLUSTRATION: Syro-Phoenician and Samaritan women.
- 2) The same in His love and care:
 - (i) Texts to show the love of Jehovah are full of love:
e.g. Psalm 103
 - (ii) He is watching over all His own to perfect them: Psalm 34
APPLICATION: O always "the same"!!

APPLICATION

1. How different He is from all others – who blow hot and cold!
2. The "Quest for the Historical Jesus" – the real Christ is the One in the holy scripture. No other!
3. He will be the same in life, in death, in eternity!

PSALM**45¹: 1 – 6****102²: 23 – 28****23: 1 – 6**