



Church – The Body of Christ Christ – The Head

Christ is called the Head of the church.

When we say Christ meaning 'the Anointed One' we refer to both Jesus (Lord's coming on earth in a physical body) and also to Lord (Yahweh in His invisible body (Spirit) like God the Father). Christ is known as the bridegroom and the church as His bride. The church in the end of the natural time will be reconciled with Him like all things. He (Jesus) was the sacrifice that He Himself (Lord) made to reconcile us with God the Father (The Eternal One also called Yahweh or Lord God *Genesis:1,2*). God the Father, His Son and His Holy Spirit all are called Lord (Yahweh). It is very difficult to identify in the Old Testament when it is written Lord, who it really meant? All three are inseparable yet they are very different entities. To explain to you in a very simple way as it was shown to me. If you look at the world as a creation Lord God the Father is the Architect, Lord God the Spirit is the Builder and Lord God the Son is the Administrator. An amazing thing also is that God the Father has no name, all the names given, just go about to describe Him. There is no name that is worthy of Him. Therefore the name 'Jesus' in Greek and 'Yehoshua' in Hebrew (*meaning Savior*) given to the Lord when on earth is lifted above all names. During the time of Jesus and latter, Greek started becoming the common language therefore the Greek name became a standard. Hebrew was rarely spoken but learnt since the Scriptures were written in Hebrew, since Greek was the common language the New Testament books were all written in Greek. In some pockets there was another language which was spoken, called Aramaic and Jesus knew the language too (*the last words spoken on the cross by Jesus are in Aramaic*).

Lord is the first born and through Him all creations came into existence, He is referred to 'Son of the Living God' and Jesus His physical form on earth is also referred to as 'Son of Man'. This was because Jesus represented us humans and was a sacrifice on our behalf.

Colossians 1

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

²¹Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. ²²But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation

The Head according to the Old Testament - High Priest Dress - The Turban & The Anointing.

It is written that Christ is the Head of the Church. When Christ is referred to, it means both Lord and Jesus. (*That's the reason for the image of the statue of Jesus not the image of the human Jesus on the front*). Therefore there are two sets of scriptures for Christ – The Head.

Exodus 28

*³⁶ "Make a plate of pure gold and engrave on it as on a seal: **HOLY TO THE LORD.** ³⁷ Fasten a blue cord to it to attach it to the turban; it is to be on the front of the turban. ³⁸ It will be on Aaron's forehead, and he will bear the guilt involved in the sacred gifts the Israelites consecrate, whatever their gifts may be. It will be on Aaron's forehead continually so that they will be acceptable to the LORD.*

³⁹ "Weave the tunic of fine linen and make the turban of fine linen.

Exodus 29

¹⁹ "Take the other ram, and Aaron and his sons shall lay their hands on its head. ²⁰ Slaughter it, take some of its blood and put it on the lobes of the right ears of Aaron and his sons, on the thumbs of their right hands, and on the big toes of their right feet. Then sprinkle blood against the altar on all sides. ²¹ And take some of the



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blood on the altar and some of the anointing oil and sprinkle it on Aaron and his garments and on his sons and their garments. Then he and his sons and their garments will be consecrated.

The turban was made of fine linen which represented righteousness. On it was a seal made of pure gold on which were engraved the words 'HOLY TO THE LORD' in Hebrew. This seal was tied to the turban with a blue cord (a Holy tie).

The pure gold seal represented Lord who is very precious and pure. He is the only Son of The Eternal Living God and by His sacrifice we are saved. The Lord has always been the mediator in saving man, but to save mankind once and for all from sin He had to perform the ultimate sacrifice. Which He did so by lowering Himself and becoming a human. As human He offered Himself as a human sacrifice, a sacrifice without blemish.

The turban was a continuous reminder on the head of the High Priest as he went before the Arch of the Covenant. The sacrifice of Jesus is a continual reminder before God the Father that we have been consecrated, made holy and washed of our sins.

When the anointing of the priest was done the sacrificial blood was first applied to the right ear. The right represented righteousness and ear is from which we hear. The ear is through which Word of God enters us, also on the head is the nose through which we breath, mouth through which we have food, water and medicine and eyes through which we see. The breath in the Bible is used to identify the Holy Spirit. The food is Spiritual food; water is the mercy and medicines the healing. Jesus through His teachings opened our spiritual eyes and helps us see the blessings stored for us.

John 20

²²And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

John 6

*²⁶Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. ²⁷Do not work for food that spoils, but for **food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.** On him God the Father has placed his seal of approval."*

1 Corinthians 10

*³They all ate the same spiritual food ⁴and drank the same spiritual drink; for **they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ.***

Christ is compared to the rock because when there was no hope it was the rock that saved them. The same was with mankind; there was no hope for us to be saved that's when the Lord made the ultimate sacrifice.

Exodus 17

*¹ The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, **but there was no water for the people to drink.** ² So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink."*

Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?"

*³ But **the people were thirsty for water there**, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?"*

*⁴ Then **Moses cried out to the LORD**, "What am I to do with these people? **They are almost ready to stone me.**"*

*⁵ The **LORD answered Moses**, "Walk on ahead of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. **Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink.**" So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel.*

1 Peter 2

*²⁴**He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.***



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John 1

¹⁵John [the Baptist] testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' " ¹⁶**From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.**

Ephesians 1

³**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.**

The Head according to the New Testament - Christ

To lead the church Jesus showed Himself as an example. He lived His life as every part of the body while being the whole body.

Jesus was the corner stone and the Word that He gave was the foundation.

Isaiah 28

¹⁶So this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone for a sure foundation; the one who trusts will never be dismayed.

Psalms 118

²²**The stone which the builders refused is become the head stone of the corner.**

Luke 6

⁴⁶"Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? ⁴⁷**I will show you what he is like who comes to me and hears my words and puts them into practice. ⁴⁸He is like a man building a house, who dug down deep and laid the foundation on rock. When a flood came, the torrent struck that house but could not shake it, because it was well built. ⁴⁹But the one who hears my words and does not put them into practice is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. The moment the torrent struck that house, it collapsed and its destruction was complete."**

Matthew 16

¹³When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say the Son of Man is?"

¹⁴They replied, "Some say John the Baptist; others say Elijah; and still others, Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

¹⁵"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"

¹⁶Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

¹⁷Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

What is the difference?

A foundation is on which the structure is built on. If the foundation is not strong then the whole structure may collapse. God is true to His Word, what Jesus spoke was the Word of God and whoever builds his life on the Word builds it on a sure and strong foundation. Jesus builds His church on this foundation or 'Rock'.

A corner stone or the head stone is the first stone that is put, against which all the other stones are aligned. To explain in a simple way, if you observe a worker laying tiles, when he lays the first tile he starts from the corner and for this tile he may spend even 5 to 10 times more efforts than the other tiles. He will measure; check the angle etc again and again. If this tile is not put correctly the chances are all the other tiles will go haphazard.



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Jesus is the corner stone, He lived His life in a perfect way and any one who aligns himself with Him, will be perfect like Him.

Jesus is the Word of God the Father that became flesh, He became the living bread and who ever receives Him will have life.

John 6:51

⁵¹I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

Jesus was the perfect sacrifice without blemish. He took all our sins on Him but in Him was no sin. No human born was free of sin until the sacrifice of Jesus, if so the sacrifice would not have been necessary. Since it was impossible for man to be saved the Lord made this sacrifice, therefore Jesus is also know as the Rock (*Exodus 17:1-6, Numbers 20: 1-11*). Sin first entered man through Adam and Eve. It was passed down from father to the children. Since Jesus was born not of a human father but through the Holy Spirit, He was Holy and without sin.

Exodus 20

³"You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴"You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below.

⁵ You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, **punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation** of those who hate me,

Exodus 34

⁵ Then the LORD came down in the cloud and stood there with him and proclaimed his name, the LORD. ⁶ And he passed in front of Moses, proclaiming, "The LORD, the LORD, the compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness, ⁷ maintaining love to thousands, and forgiving wickedness, rebellion and sin. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; **he punishes the children and their children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation.**"

Jesus is the ultimate sacrifice; therefore no more sacrifices are needed. He was without blemish, He was perfect without sin, and He was totally human representing all humanity. He was the Lamb of God who gave His life for us.

People would even think so what? so many people give up their lives for their friends and family. Dear brothers and sisters we are talking here is not just man, we are talking here of God who on a word could destroy al the sinners for eternity, but opted to lower himself and become a mere human, suffer and die. Through His death and resurrection, gain freedom from eternal death for all mankind.

Hebrews 10

¹The law is only a shadow of the good things that are comingnot the realities themselves. **For this reason it can never, by the same sacrifices repeated endlessly year after year, make perfect those who draw near to worship. ²If it could, would they not have stopped being offered? For the worshipers would have been cleansed once for all, and would no longer have felt guilty for their sins. ³But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins, ⁴because it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.**

⁵Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said:

***"Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;***

***⁶with burnt offerings and sin offerings
you were not pleased.***

⁷Then I said, 'Here I amit is written about me in the scroll

I have come to do your will, O God.' " ⁸First he said, "**Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them**" (although the law required them to be made).

⁹Then he said, "**Here I am, I have come to do your will.**" He sets aside the first to establish the second. ¹⁰**And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.**



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Christ is the only way to the Father. Any person who does not accept Christ will never be saved from the second death (the eternal death).

John 14:6

⁶Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Revelation 20

¹¹ And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. ¹³ And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. ¹⁴ And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. ¹⁵ And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

He is the only one who has seen God the Father. No person can come before God the Father impure.

The main mission of the Lord is to reconcile us with the Father and bring us before Him. For this we need to be purified and He did so through His sacrifice. This is not the first time He made a sacrifice. In the book of Genesis when Adam and Eve sinned and the wrath of God would have destroyed them, it was the Lord who made the sacrifice of an animal and by covering them with the skin of the sacrifice He saved them. Since the sacrifice of animal did not permanently save mankind He offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice and His cloth of Righteousness is the skin that covers us.