

1 **The Mystery of Our Faith**

The Deity of Jesus Christ

2 **I Timothy 3:16**

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:
 God was manifested in the flesh,
 Justified in the Spirit,
 Seen by angels,
 Preached among the Gentiles,
 Believed on in the world,
 Received up in glory.

3 **The Great Mystery... Jesus is God!**

One of the greatest truths in all human history, yet almost totally incomprehensible, is this truth that Christianity holds as its very foundation. It is the essential truth of Christianity and the very reason we are despised by the world. This truth is at the center of the culture war we find ourselves in, and it is what makes Christianity intolerable to our world. For if it is true, then Christianity is indeed the only way to know God.

4 **Hebrews 1:1**

Long ago God spoke many times and in many ways to our ancestors through the prophets.

- Abraham
- Moses – Exodus 20:19
- Samuel
- Jonah

5 **Hebrews 1:2**

But now in these final days, He has spoken to us through His Son.

- God has “spoken” to us
- Jesus is God’s ultimate WORD!

6 **John 1:1-3,14**

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He was in the beginning with God. [3] All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being...

[14] And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth.

7 **Jesus is God!**

- Demons knew Him – Mark 1:21-27
- The Disciples grew to Know Him – Mark 4:41, John 20:28
- Jesus declared it – John 8:58

8 **The Mystery of our Faith (Summarized...)**

Jesus is none other than God! He is the creator of all things, who came into this world for us! He is the only God! He is the only true revelation of God! There are no other true gods besides Him! This is the central teaching in Christianity. This is the first part of the "Great Mystery."