

**The worship of Jesus Christ as God. (15)**

He is the visible representative of God; the personal manifestation of God; when looking at Him, we're looking at God. Jesus Christ is not just a good man, a good teacher, or a prophet – He is God.

The context of the word "firstborn" demonstrates that Jesus Christ was not created but in fact the Creator Himself.

**The worship of Jesus Christ as Creator and Sustainer. (16-17)**

Jesus Christ created all things, everything, everyone you see, what you don't see also. There is nothing He did not create. If He can hold the whole universe together, there is nothing in your life He can't handle.

All things were created for Him – so He gets more glory and our worship.

**The worship of Jesus Christ as Head of the Church. (18)**

One day He is coming back as a monarch, a benevolent dictator.

He's in charge, He has authority, He is the coming King of kings, Lord of lords.

As Head of the church, He will be interested in how we treated His bride prior to his return.

**The worship of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. (19-20)**

Jesus Christ has always been, and will forever will be – God.

If Jesus Christ is not deity, His death means nothing. Only God can forgive sins.

Jesus Christ's uniqueness from the leaders of all other religions is that He is God in the flesh.

***Questions for Discussion:***

1. What verses of Scripture are most meaningful to you in your understanding of the deity of Jesus Christ?  
Are there people you know who are in a cult that you could share these verses with?  
Have your group take time to pray for you and these people.
2. Have you heard theories concerning creation that are different than six solar days? If so, what are they?  
Why is understanding creation as six solar days important?  
How would you refute these other theories?
3. Where are some wrong places our worship can go that are away from Jesus Christ?  
What is Jesus Christ observing in churches and Christians today that must grieve Him as its bridegroom?  
What can you do to make His bride more ready for Him?
4. Why is the deity of Jesus Christ so important to the gospel?  
Why is it that many people can talk about God, but when you state that Jesus Christ is God they react so strongly?