Who is Christ?

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One of the major questions which have preoccupied

mankind has to do with Jesus. "Who is Jesus Christ really?"

This is a question first posed by Jesus Himself when speaking to His disciples: "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" (Matthew 16, 13) and "But who do you say that I am?" (Matthew 16, 15) The same query was also raised against the Pharisees, just before He finished His mission on earth: "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" (Matthew 22, 42)

Jesus posed these questions because He wished to prove that all prophesies of the Old Testament were being fulfilled in Him, not in an anthropological way as the Pharisees were expecting, but in the way the Lord wished.

The Pharisees were expecting the Messiah to be the one, who was going to lead his people to glory; who was going to prove how special he was; who would be able to pass on the spiritual and secular authority to those who would receive him.

Yet Jesus speaks of the God-man nature of the Messiah. He says that He was not just a perfect man, a special person, but that God Himself assumed human nature. Therefore, whatever He was going to offer was not exclusive to the Jews but it would be a gift and a blessing to all men and all peoples, irrespective of time and human understanding. ($\pi\epsilon\rho\iota\sigma\sigma\acute{o}\tau\epsilon\rho\alpha...$)