

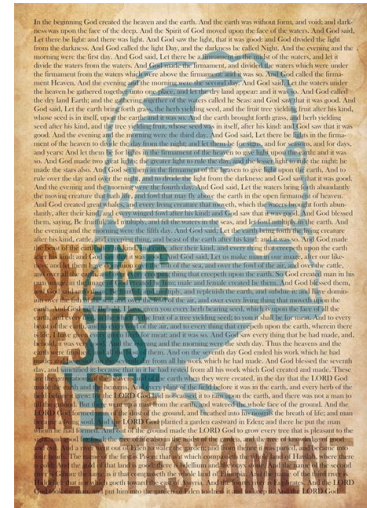


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*Christ in Every Word*

# CBI e-Bulletin February 2017

Welcome to this month's edition of the Concordia Bible Institute (CBI) e-Bulletin.

CBI exists to provide Christ-centered Bible instruction through distinguished experts who teach "Christ in Every Word" of the Old and New Testaments. Under the direction of Dr. Brian German and in cooperation with the Department of Theology at Concordia University Wisconsin, CBI offers podcasts, face-to-face seminars, and other special events to strengthen faith and spread belief in the one true God.



"For the whole Christ is in every word and wholly in each individual word. When He is denied, therefore, in one word, He is totally denied, for He is in every word."

-Martin Luther (*Luther's Works*, 25:238).

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## Upcoming Events



### **Spring In-Depth Bible Studies**

February 27, March 6, 20, 27, April 3 from 3:00-5:30pm

**\*April 10 from 6:30-8:30pm\***

Friends of Concordia Room

Concordia University Wisconsin

\$20 per class, per person

**FREE for CUW Students/Faculty/Staff**

Bring a Bible and a Friend!

These In-Depth Bible Studies are wonderful opportunities to learn from university professors and special guest lecturers about important topics related to the Bible and the Christian faith. We pray that you would consider joining us for this Christ-centered instruction.

### **A Special One-Day Seminar with Dr. Nathan Jastram & Dr. Jeffrey Kloha "The Origins of the Bible"**

Saturday, April 22, 2017

8:45am-3:15pm

Pharmacy Building PH008

Concordia University Wisconsin

\$40 per person

**\$10 for CUW Students/Faculty/Staff**



Join us as we hear from Dr. Nathan Jastram on "The Growth of the Old Testament" and "A Case Study of Textual Transmission" & Dr. Jeffrey Kloha on "Gospels, Eyewitnesses, and Jesus" and "Manuscripts and the Reliability of the Text."

For more information on any of our upcoming events, please visit our website  
[www.concordiabile.org](http://www.concordiabile.org)

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# Read the Bible in a Year

Looking to add to your devotions this year? Or simply want to accomplish the goal of reading the Bible in a year? Follow along with the calendar below! A new calendar will be sent in each newsletter.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Luke 2:29-32 Exodus 1-3	2 Psalm 59 Exodus 4-6	3 Psalm 60 Exodus 7-9	4 Psalm 61 Exodus 10-12
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## Website

Visit our website at [concordiabible.org](http://concordiabible.org) to learn more about CBI.

## Podcasts

CBI offers thirty to forty-minute long podcasts on biblical passages and religious issues that you can listen to any time through the [CBI website](#).

## Ask Dr. Saleska

To ask Dr. Saleska a question, please visit the ["Ask Dr. Saleska"](#) page on CBI's website and he will get back to you.

**Question:** Did the followers of Jesus ever just call him God? He is part of the Triune God, but did they ever address him as just God?

**Answer:** The "easy" answer is that as far as we know they did not. There is no recorded instance in which they addressed him in that way. My guess is, however, that you would like something a little more extensive than that simple answer. Following are some of the Bible passages that demonstrate that both the followers and the disciples realized who Jesus was.

Matthew, a disciple, records this concerning the worship of the baby Jesus by the Wise Men: "Where is he that is born King of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east and are come to worship him" (Matthew 2:2). "And when they were come into the house they saw the young child...and fell down and worshipped him" (Matthew 2:11). Since Matthew was a Jew, he certainly knew the Old Testament references in Exodus, Deuteronomy, etc. that the people were to worship God alone, and he would not have included this unless he believed that the baby Jesus was that God who alone was to be worshipped. This is especially important since the Wise Men were gentiles (non-Jews) yet even they realized who this child was. Other New Testament people fell down at Jesus feet and worshipped him.

Along the same lines John, also a disciple, begins his Gospel with these words: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him and without him was not anything made that was made...and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth." Clearly John believed that Christ was God who created the universe.

In John 6:69 Peter answers for the disciples: "And we believe and are sure that thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God." Same with Martha in John 11:27: "...I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of the living God which should come into the world." Comment: If I have a son there's no question he would be a man. And if God has a Son, there should be no question that he would be God. The disciples, Martha, and others understood this. (John 8:58 "...Before Abraham was, I AM.")

In John 10:30 John quotes Jesus as saying: "I and the Father are one." God himself confirms this in Matthew 3:17 & 17:5: "This is my beloved Son in whom I am well pleased, hear ye him." John 20:28: "And Thomas said unto him, My Lord and my God."

The Apostle Paul (a follower): Rom.9:5, I Tim.3:16, Titus 2:13, etc. The writer of Hebrews: ch. 1:8.

The above is only one way to approach the question of how the disciples and followers of Jesus viewed his deity. There are others.

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## Contribute

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