

Pauline Christology

- Person of Christ
- The Last Adam
- Corporate solidarity
- The death of Christ

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Paul's Christology

- Person of Christ
 - Did he know about the historical Jesus?
 - Calls Jesus Messiah/Christ.
 - Jesus is Lord (Rom. 10:9-10; 2 Cor. 4-5; Rom. 10:13; 1 Cor. 8:6).
 - Jesus is Son of God (Rom. 5:10; 8:3). He was sent to bring about our adoption (Gal. 4:4-7).
 - Jesus is God (Rom. 9:5; Titus 2:13-14).
 - Jesus is fully human (Gal. 4:4; Rom. 5:15).

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- Christ as the last Adam:
 - Romans 5:12-19
 - 1 Corinthians 15:21-22, 41-49
- Corporate solidarity with Adam and Christ.
 - Progenitors of a race of human beings.
 - Related to this age and the age to come.
 - Universality of sin in Adam (Rom. 5:12).
 - Universality of grace in Christ (1 Cor. 15:21-22).

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- Meaning of the death of Christ (handout):
 - Initiated by God
 - Sacrificial
 - Vicarious; substitutionary or representative
 - Atoning
 - Redemptive; ransom
 - Brings freedom *from* and freedom *for*
 - Triumph over evil
 - Appropriated by faith

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