Deity of Christ

Jesus Christ is eternal God. As a member of the trinity, He is coequal with God the Father and with God the Holy Spirit. That is, He has the same attributes as God the Father. See the Grace Notes topic: Essence of God) Jesus Christ has all of the divine attributes that God the Father has, including:

- Eternity Isa. 9:6; Micah 5:2; John 1:1,2; 8:58.
- Immutability Heb. 1:10-12, (cf. Mal. 3:6 and Ps. 102:25-27); Heb. 13:8
- Omnipotence Phil. 3:21; Rev. 1:8; I Cor. 15:25
- Omniscience John 2:25; 6:64; 10:15; 21:17.
- Omnipresence Eph. 1:23; John 14:23 (cf. Lev. 26:12); Mt. 18:20;
- Life John 1:4; 5:26; 10:10; 14:6; Heb. 7:16.
- Truth John 14:6; Rev. 3:7
- Righteousness John 6:69; Heb. 7:26
- Love John 13:1,34; 1 John 3:16.

In addition, the prerogatives of deity are ascribed to Jesus Christ:

- He is the creator of all things, John 1:3,10; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:10.
- He is the preserver of all things, Heb. 1:3; Col. 1:17.
- He pardons sins, Luke 5:24; Col. 3:13.
- He raised the dead and He will raise the dead, 2 Cor. 1:9; John 5:21, 28,29; 11:25
- He rewards the saints, 2 Cor. 5:10
- The judgment of the world is committed to Him, John 5:22; Rev. 20:12
- worship belonging only to God is freely rendered to Christ: 1 Cor. 1:2; John 14:13,14.

John 5:18-23 expresses the equality of Jesus Christ with the Father.

v .18, equal in being

v .19, equal in works (what the Father does, the Son does)

- v. 20, equal in love and work
- w. 21, equal in power (in terms of giving life)
- x. 22, equal in authority,
- y. 23, equal in honor.