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Evangelist Frank Shelton ('96) Offers Feedback on New "Son of God" Movie

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – A motion picture depicting the life of Jesus Christ is released in 3,000 theaters across the country on Friday, and Gardner-Webb alumnus Frank Shelton ('96) weighed in on the project during Sean Hannity's nationally televised show on Fox News last week.

"Son of God," a film produced by Mark Burnett and his wife Roma Downey, first aired in 2013 as part of the mini-series "The Bible" on the History channel. The couple appeared on Sean Hannity's show "Hannity" on Feb. 21 to discuss the release of the major motion picture version on Feb. 28. Shelton was among four panelists who offered their feedback on why they believe the film will be an industry success.

"Often times when Hollywood infiltrates our heart, head and home it's not always a good thing," Shelton shared. "However, when Heaven infiltrates Hollywood and our heart, head and homes, it's a 'God thing.' This movie will make history because Mark and Roma have told *His* story."

"For years, scholars and skeptics have debated was Jesus man or is He God?" Shelton continued. "If He wasn't a man, than who was that baby born in Bethlehem's barn?

If He wasn't God, why did 10,000 angels sing at his birth? If He wasn't a man, then who was it who hungered in the wilderness? If He wasn't God, who fed 5,000 with a little boy's lunch?"

As Shelton finished his remarks, Hannity quipped, "Have you ever thought about being a minister?"



Watch Video At: <https://youtu.be/ZhsALfnCLRM>

Shelton, who graduated from Gardner-Webb in 1996, serves actively as an evangelist and minister at events across the United States. He and his wife, Ruth, live near Washington, D.C. with their children, Hannah and Andrew. More information on Shelton and his ministry is available at frankshelton.com.

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