

The Baptism of Jesus

- Revealed Jesus to the world and to John
- The Jordan River (Jn. 3:4, & 2 Kg. 2:6-15, 5:1-5)
 - Opened for the Arc of the Covenant
 - Elijah's double portion of the Spirit
 - Naaman healed of leprosy
- John calls Jesus the "Lamb of God" (Jn. 1:29)

Lambs in the Old Testament

- Gn. 3:21 – Covered in Sin
- Gn. 22:8, 13-14 – substitute sacrifice, Isaac
- Ex. 12:1-30, Is. 53:7, 1 Cor. 5:7 – protected God's people
- Lev. 3:1-11 – Peace Offering
- Lev. 4:32-35, 5:5-6 – Offered to cover sin

Jesus was Sinless

- The world would judge the Lamb sinless (Ex. 12:5)
- Jesus was perfectly sinless in His life (I Pet. 1:19; 2:21-22; II Cor. 5:21; John 8:46; 14:30; 18:38; Heb. 4:15)
 - Demons (Mt. 8:28-29, Mk. 1:24, Lk. 4:34)
 - Christ (Jn. 8:46; 14:30)
 - Pilate (Jn. 18:38; 19:4-6)
 - Pilate's Wife (Mt. 27:19)
 - The Thief (Lk. 23:47)
 - Herod (Lk. 23:13-15)
 - Judas (Mt. 27:4)

Identified with Sinners

- Didn't need baptism (Mt. 3:6, 13-14 Acts 19:4)
- Identified with sinners sinners/humanity (Mt. 3:15)
- Gave us an example of a "pure" humanity (Jn. 13:15)

The Son of God

- The heavens "opened" (Mt. 3:13, Lk. 3:21, Mk. 1:10)
- The Father Spoke (Lk. 3:22, Mt. 3:17, Mk. 1:11)
- Anointed by the Holy Spirit – Blessing of the First Born – the beginning of his Ministry (Acts 10:38)

Jesus and the Spirit

- Born of the Spirit (Luke 1:35; John 3:5)
- Baptized with the Spirit (Mt. 3:16-17; Acts 1:4-5)
- Filled with the Spirit (Luke 4:1; Eph. 3:19)
- Led of the Spirit (Mt. 4:1; Rom. 8:14)
- Empowered by the Spirit (Luke 4:14; Acts 1:8)
- Anointed by the Spirit (Acts 10:38; I John 2:27)
- Ministering by the Spirit (Luke 4:18; I Pet. 1:11-12)
- Sealed by the Spirit (John 6:27; II Cor. 1:21-22)
- Raised from the dead by the Spirit (Rom. 8:2, 11-13)
- Giving commandments by the Spirit (Acts 1:2; 15:28-29)
- The Baptizer in the Holy Spirit (Mark. 1:8; Acts 2:33)

Jesus becomes the Christ/Messiah

- With the anointing by the Spirit, affirmation by the Father, and baptism by John who the final Old Testament Prophet Jesus becomes the Messiah, the Christ (Mt. 16:16, 20; 23:8-10; 26:63-64; 27:17, 22; Luke 4:41; John 4:25-26)

The Spirit Led Jesus to the Desert

- The temptation is Jesus final preparation to become the New Adam (Mt. 4:1-11; Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13)
- In the wilderness like Israel
- Intense spirituality leads to spiritual combat
- Jesus fasted and prayed



The Temptations

- Satan and Sin are Jesus' Primary Adversary
- His victory in the desert is the victory,
- Jesus seeks to destroy the work of the devil
- After his victory angels ministered to him and the Spirit empowered him
- He could not work in Public Ministry



The Temptations

- Body
 - Food
 - Lk. 4:3,4
- Soul/Desire
 - World Power
 - (Lk. 4:5-8)
- Pride
 - Worship Satan Forsake God
 - Lk. 4:9-13

