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I. The Birth and Witness of John the Baptist.

- A. The forerunner concept - Mal. 3:1; Isa. 40:3
- B. His seven-fold witness to the person of Christ
 - 1. Pre-existence (John 1:15)
 - 2. Lordship (Jn. 1:23)
 - 3. Holiness (Matt. 3:13)
 - 4. “Lamb of God” (Jn. 1:29,36)
 - 5. Messiah (Jn. 1:25)
 - 6. Baptizes with the Holy Spirit (Jn. 1:33)
 - 7. “Son of God” (Jn. 1:34)

II. The Birth of Jesus Christ

- A. Timing/place - Micah 5:2
- B. The virgin reality
- C. The confirmations of the wisemen, Herod, and the slaughter of children (Historical)

III. The Baptism of Christ

- A. The angels message to John the Baptist (Jn. 1:31 - 34)
- B. The supernatural happenings at the baptism (voice and dove)

IV. The Temptations of Christ (Lk. 4:1-12)

- A. The deity of Christ proven (by the attack itself against his deity)
- B. The power of Christ revealed (by his coming through the 40 day temptation sinless)

V. The Calling of the First Disciples (Jn. 1:35 - 51)

- A. Andrew and another ask to be trained by Jesus as a Rabbi (Jn. 1:37 - 39)
- B. Andrew finds his brother Simon and invites him after spending the day with Christ.
- C. Phillip finds his friend Nathaniel and invites him to **“come and see”** (Jn. 1:43 - 50)
- D. Jesus the ladder to and from heaven (Jn. 1:51)