

## **The Baptist Faith and Message**

### **IV. God the Son**

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ He was conceived of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. Jesus perfectly revealed and did the will of God, taking upon Himself human nature with its demands and necessities and identifying Himself completely with mankind yet without sin. He honored the divine law by His personal obedience, and in His substitutionary death on the cross He made provision for the redemption of men from sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body and appeared to His disciples as the person who was with them before His crucifixion. He ascended into heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of God where He is the One Mediator, fully God, fully man, in whose Person is effected the reconciliation between God and man. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living and ever present Lord.

#### **A. The Divinity of Jesus Christ**

- a. Matthew 3:17; Baptismal declaration of the Father
- b. Matthew 8:29; Known and feared by demons
- c. Matthew 11:27; Unity in knowledge and authority with God the Father
- d. Matthew 16:16-18; Declaration of Peter, confirmed by Christ

#### **B. The Humanity of Jesus Christ**

- a. Isaiah 7:14; Prophecy of virgin birth
- b. Matthew 1:18-23; Announcements to Mary, Joseph

#### **C. As Lamb of God, Redeemer of Mankind**

- a. Job 19:23-27a, My Redeemer lives
- b. John 1:29; Behold the Lamb of God!

#### **D. As King of Kings and Lord of Lords**

- a. Matthew 17:2-13; Transfiguration and declaration of the Father
- b. Revelation 5:11-14, 19:11-16

#### **E. Personal**

- a. John 21:27-30; Thomas convinced
- b. John 21:15-17; Restoration of Peter