

Study 6

THE STORY (2): JESUS—THE FATHER’S WAY OF BRINGING HUMANITY INTO FREEDOM

His nature:

(as 2nd Divine Person of the Blesséd Triune Community of Love)

- **Son & Word** (of the Initiator-Father)
- **Creator** (as Mediator of the creation)
- **Servant** (as Son) & **King** (as Mediator of the kingdom)

HIS WORK OF REDEMPTION

**** Christ—the New Adam-Israel-Temple—establishing the new covenant & bringing blessing to all nations***

the Father’s place-centred, holy purpose accomplished through:

- **His Incarnation / ‘Enfleshment’ among us**
(as the Son, now to be fully divine & fully human—forever)
- **His Baptism at the River Jordan**
(consecration: rightly *affirming* obedience as Son-Servant, *identifying* as Lamb & *anointed* as Priest, Prophet & King; affirmation: the Father declaring His pleasure in the Son)
- **His Temptation in the desert**
(confrontation: the Anointed One’s moral authority tested)
- **His Ministry throughout the land**
(free-spirited, pure-hearted & dynamic priestly, prophetic & kingly living: the way [aroma], words [wisdom] & works [signs] of the kingdom; His Father’s image & glory revealed on earth)
- **His Death on the Cross—a terrible ‘propitiation’**
(the Son as Lamb-Priest-Prophet-King: bearing sin, offering Himself, proclaiming & conquering; the Father reconciling)
- **His Resurrection—the triumph of mercy & grace**
(victory declared bodily: sin, death & the devil defeated)
- **His Ascension & Enthronement as Lord & Christ**
(a *new, glorious humanity* at the Father’s right hand; in His eternal Sonship reigning supremely as Priest-Prophet-King, to mightily fulfill His Father’s holy purpose within every nation)
- **His Outpouring of the Spirit in His name at Pentecost**
(ongoing dynamic, priestly, prophetic & kingly living through His people among the nations—opposed but unhindered)
- **His Final Appearing at the close of history**
(ultimate victory, judgment, liberation & renewal; the Son in His joy handing the fully manifested kingdom over to His Father)