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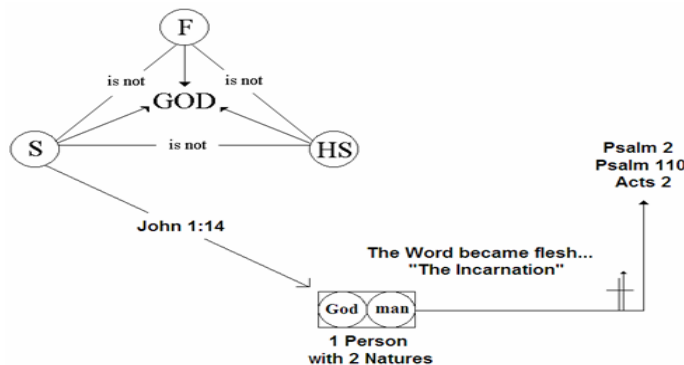
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In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God...the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. John 1:1 and 1:14

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Context of First Followers in the Life of Christ

A: Angels Announce-the supernatural pregnancy of John the Baptizing Jewish Prophet (AKA: JTBJP) and the supernatural pregnancy of Jesus the Messiah/Savior.

B: Birth in Bethlehem-Mary gives birth to the humanity of Jesus (fulfilling Micah 5:2)

C: Carpentry Career-from age 12 to about 30 Jesus works six days/week as a tekton (a skilled builder/worker in wood and stone) in and around Nazareth and Sepphoris.

D: Dove Descends-Jesus identifies with and is baptized by John the Baptizing Jewish Prophet (prophesied in Isaiah 40:3 and Malachi 4:5) and the voice of God the Father declares the perfect righteousness of Jesus as He begins His preaching ministry

E: Enemy Entices-After fasting for 40 days in the Judean wilderness, Jesus faces and overcomes three penultimate temptations from Lucifer thus demonstrating His perfect righteousness as Jesus begins His preaching ministry

Context of First Followers in the Gospel of John

Day 1: John the Baptizing Jewish Prophet is interrogated by Jewish Leaders 1:19-28

Day 2: John sees Jesus for the first time since he baptized Him and points Him out as "The Lamb of God, who will take away the sin of the world." 1:29-1:34

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Day 3: JTBJP directs two of his disciples (Andrew and John) to Jesus. They follow Him to his camp and after interaction with Him become convinced He is the Messiah. After this, Andrew brings his brother Simon ("Hearer/Listener" to Jesus. Jesus immediately gives him the nickname "Rocky" (Petros-rocky/rough around the edges). 1:35-42

Day 4: Preparing to travel back to Galilee, Jesus interacts with Philip who believes in Him as the Messiah. He then tells a friend Nathanael, who is initially skeptical until he directly interacts with Jesus 1:43-51

1: Christ/Christianity are Open To/Triumph in the Face of Honest Investigation (1 P 3:15)

2: Christianity is about Christ, not Christians per se...Our Job in Evangelism is Not to Impress Others with Our Knowledge/Experience But To Point Them to Jesus-Who He is, What He Has Done and What He Will Do.

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Knock, Knock!

Who's There?

Cash!

Cash Who?

No Thank You, I'd Prefer Peanuts!

Knock! Knock!

Who's There?

Honey Bee

Honey Bee Who?

Honey Be a Dear and Open the Door Please!

Knock! Knock!

Who's There?

HoneyDew

HoneyDew Who?

Honey Do You Think We Need Better Jokes Next Sunday?

Don't Answer That!

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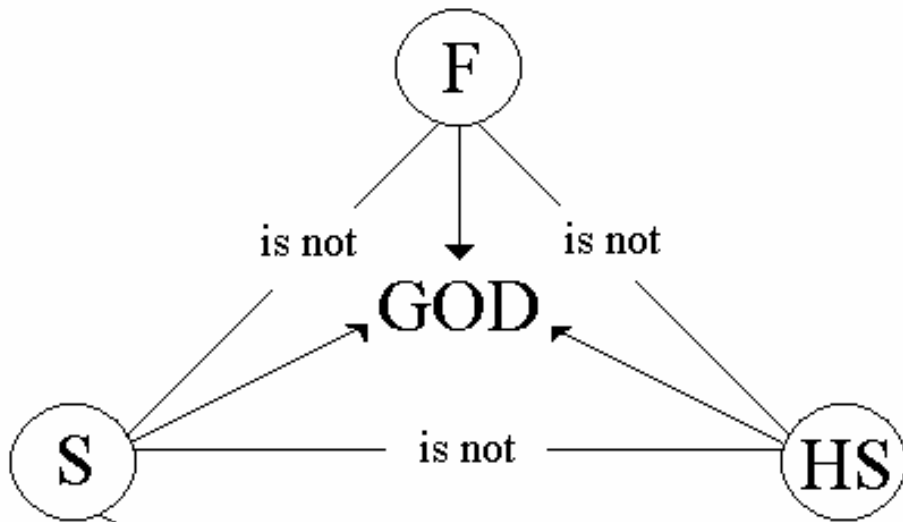
1 Savior

4 Gospels

26 Events

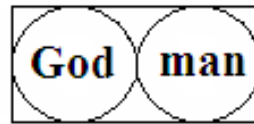
The Incarnation

"The Word Became Flesh"



John 1:14

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1 Person
with 2 Natures

Psalm 2
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New Testament Roman Provinces





This Is
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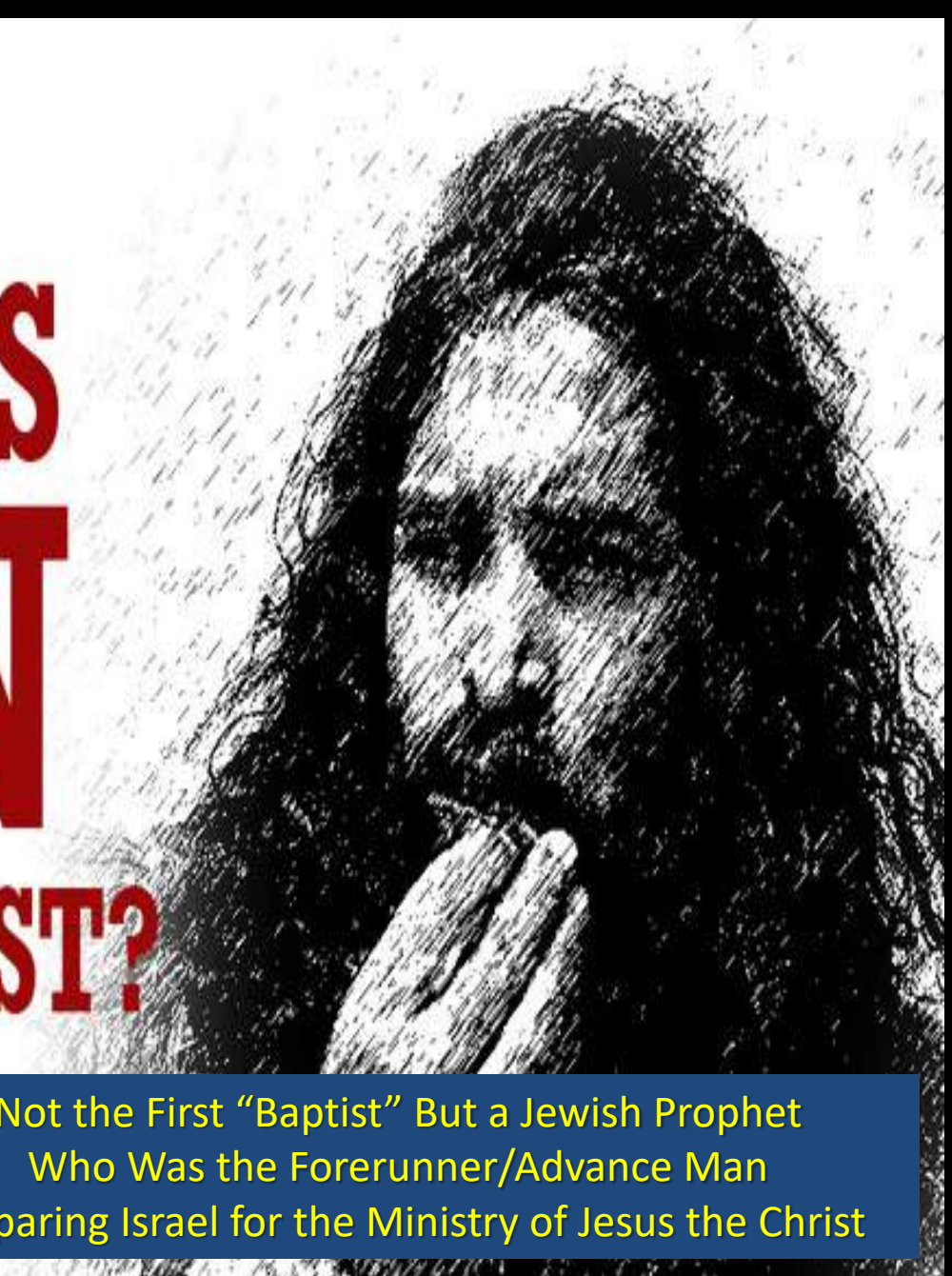
Εκκλησία

In the New Testament *ekklesia* never refers to buildings...but always to believers in Jesus in one of two ways

- 1: The Capital C "Church" = All BA Believers
- 2: The Lower c "church" = the believers who are actively involved in a specific local church

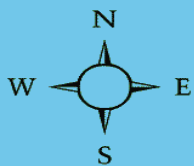
WHO WAS JOHN THE BAPTIST?

Not the First “Baptist” But a Jewish Prophet
Who Was the Forerunner/Advance Man
Preparing Israel for the Ministry of Jesus the Christ





THE GREAT SEA
(MEDITERRANEAN SEA)



Capernaum ✕ Bethsaida ✕

Cana ✕

SEA OF GALILEE

Gennesaret

Nazareth ✕

Mt. Tabor

Nain ✕

DECAPOLIS

Caesarea ✕

SAMARIA

JORDAN RIVER

Sychar ✕
(Jacob's Well)

Joppa ✕



Jericho ✕

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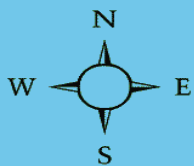
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