

EVERYONE GETS TO PLAY

Game Over – Part 1 of 10

“...I myself have thoroughly investigated everything from the beginning, I too decided to write an orderly account for you...” Luke 1:3

“...of the things that have been fulfilled among us...” Luke 1:1

“1 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar—when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituraea and Traconitis, Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene—2 during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas...” Luke 3:1-2a

“...the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.” Luke 3:2b

“And people went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan.” Matthew 3:5

“Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.” Matthew 3:6

“7 He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. 8 He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. 9 The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world.” John 1:7-9

“(John testified concerning him. He cried out, saying, ‘This is he of whom I said, He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.’)” John 1:15

“For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.” John 1:17

“19 Now this was John’s testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. 20 He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, ‘I am not the Messiah.’ 21 They asked him... ‘are you Elijah?’” John 1:19-21

“See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before the great and dreadful day of the LORD comes.” Malachi 4:5

“21 He said, ‘I am not’ ‘Are you the Prophet?’ He answered, ‘No.’ 22 Finally they said, ‘Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us...’ 23 John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, ‘I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way for the Lord.’” John 1:21-23

“24 Now the Pharisees who had been sent 25 questioned him, ‘Why then do you baptize if you are not the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?’ 26 ‘I baptize with water,’ John replied, ‘but among you stands one you do not know. 27 He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.’” John 1:24-27

“7 But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: ‘You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? 8 Produce fruit in keeping with repentance.’” Matthew 3:7-8

“28 This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan where John was baptizing. 29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, ‘Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!’ John 1:28-29

KEY TRUTH: Jesus was a **BRIDGE** between two covenants, two value systems, two different sets of laws and commandments and two different world views.

Jesus Came to Establish Three New Things:

#1: A brand-new **COVENANT** between God and **YOU**

#2: A new **COMMANDMENT**

#3: A new **MOVEMENT**