



Introduction

- The Scripture is silent from the time Jesus was about twelve until he was about 30.
- In the second and third centuries the Gnostics created the apocryphal gospels, but they were rejected.

Baptism

John the Baptist

- Matthew 3:1-12
- John 1:19-34

Spirit Empowered Work

- Jesus will fulfill his work as a man filled with the Holy Spirit.
 - Matthew 4:1
 - Matthew 12:28
 - Luke 4:1
 - Luke 4:16-19
- From the beginning, the work of Christ was a Spirit empowered work.

Fulfill All Righteousness

- Matthew 3:13-17
- John the Baptist argued that Jesus did not need to be baptized because Jesus did not need to repent.
- Jesus includes John the Baptist in the fulfilling of all righteousness.
- Jesus needed to be baptized because that was the will of the Father for him.
- Jesus identified with the people he came to save.
- Redemption includes the application of righteousness.
- Adam failed in obedience, but Christ succeeded in obedience.
- A key aspect of the work of Christ was to establish righteousness for his people. Jeremiah 33:14-16
- Romans 10:1-4
- Righteousness is only gained by faith in the one who was righteous for us.
- Romans 10:5-13
- Being right with God comes from confession of and faith in Christ.
- Romans 1:16-17
- The gospel is good news because Jesus fulfilled all righteousness.

Temptation

- Matthew 4:1-11
- The Spirit leads Jesus in the wilderness to be tempted because Adam failed when he was tempted.



- 1 Corinthians 15:42-29
- Romans 5:18-19
- Since man was given dominion over the earth and man sinned, a man must not only atone for that sin, but obey when tempted instead of disobeying when tempted.

Temptation Differences

- Adam's temptation took place in a lush garden, whereas Jesus was tempted in a wilderness.
- Adam's wife was at his side, whereas Jesus was alone.
- Adam was tempted with a full belly, whereas Jesus was tempted while his stomach was growling.
- When Adam was tempted there was no sin, whereas when Jesus was tempted sin was prevalent.
- Adam was tempted to be like God, whereas Jesus was tempted to act like God and bypass the purpose of his incarnation.

Temptation Similarity

Satan sought to undermine God's word in the temptations of Adam and Jesus.

Adam

- Genesis 3:2-5

Jesus

- Matthew 3:17
- Matthew 4:6
- Psalm 91:11-12
- Deuteronomy 6:16
- Deuteronomy 6:13
- Luke 4:13
- Matthew 16:22
- Hebrews 4:15