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Intro: God’s announcement to the old priest and a *virgin* broke His *silence* of over 400 years.

While there were many *contrasts* between the recipients, the greatest one was that of *faith* and *unbelief*.

God told of the *nature* and *destiny* of each child even before they were *conceived*.

While John’s *greatness* was imputed to him, the Lord’s greatness was His *nature*.

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I. He Is God

He is called the Son of the *most* High, El Elyon in Hebrew which means; *supreme* One, Majestic One, *sovereign*, **Luke 1:32, Deut. 32:8; Ps. 47:2; 2 Sam. 22:14.**

Isaiah says this Child will be called; “Immanuel” which means, *God* with us.

Timothy says this Jesus was, “*God* manifested in the *flesh*,” **1 Tim. 3:16.**

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II. He Is Fully Man

While the *conception* was miraculous, His *birth* was completely *normal*, Luke 2:40, 52.

1. He had to be *human* to qualify to be a *sacrifice* for our sins, Hebrews 2:17,
2. So He could be a *sympathetic* High Priest, Heb. 2:18, 4:14-16.
3. Believing in His *humanity* is a non-negotiable fact of our *Christian* faith, 2 John 1:7, Lk. 24:39.

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III. He Was Sinless

While John was the *recipient* of the Holy Spirit, he still had his *father's* sin nature, while Jesus had the *sinless* nature of His father, the Holy Spirit.

Lk. 1:35, 2 Cor. 5:21, Heb. 4:15.

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IV. He Is Sovereign

He will not only *rule Jacob Israel*, His reign will be world-wide and *eternal*.

Lk. 32-33. 2 Sam. 7.

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V. He Is Savior

Both Mary and Joseph were told to name the child, Jesus, *Yeshua* in Hebrew, which means, *Jehovah Saves*. **Lk. 1:31, Matt.1:21.**

Scripture bears out Jesus' *purpose* for coming;
Matt. 1:21,
Lk. 2:10-11, Lk. 19:10.