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**Purpose:**

1. THE IDENTITY OF CHRIST: \_\_\_\_\_ . (1)  
*See Mark 15:39.*

2. THE MESSENGER OF CHRIST: \_\_\_\_\_ . (2–8)

The messenger is prophesied. (2–3)  
*See Malachi 3:1; Isaiah 40:3.*

The messenger's \_\_\_\_\_. (4–6)  
*See 2 Kings 1:8.*

The messenger's \_\_\_\_\_. (7–8)  
*See John 3:30; 1 Corinthians 12:13.*

3. THE EARLY MINISTRY OF CHRIST. (9–15)

His ministry was \_\_\_\_\_. (9–11)  
*See Matthew 3:14–15; Acts 1:21–22.*

His ministry was tested. (12–13)

His ministry was \_\_\_\_\_. (14–15)  
*See Galatians 4:4–5.*