Study 6

THE STORY (2): JESUS—THE FATHER'S WAY OF BRINGING HUMANITY INTO FREEDOM

His nature:

(as 2nd Divine Person of the Blesséd Triune Community of Love)

- Son & Word (of the Initiator-Father)
- Creator (as Mediator of the creation)
- Servant (as Son) & King (as Mediator of the kingdom)

HIS WORK OF REDEMPTION

- * Christ—the New Adam-Israel-Temple—establishing the new covenant & bringing blessing to all nations the Father's PLACE-centred, holy purpose accomplished through:
 - His 'Enfleshment' among us as the Beloved (the Eternal Son now to be fully divine & fully human—forever!)
 - His Baptism at the River Jordan—a trumpet sound (consecration: rightly affirming obedience as Son-Servant, identifying as Lamb & anointed as Priest, Prophet & King; affirmation: the Father declaring His pleasure in the Son)
 - His Temptation in the desert—the intruding serpent (confrontation: the Anointed One's moral authority tested)
 - His Ministry—the life & light of divine righteousness (free-spirited, pure-hearted & dynamic priestly, prophetic & kingly living: the way [aroma], words [wisdom] & works [signs] of the kingdom; His Father's image & glory revealed on earth)
 - His Death on the Cross—a terrible 'propitiation' (the Son as Lamb-Priest-Prophet-King: bearing sin, offering Himself, proclaiming & conquering; the Father reconciling)
 - His Resurrection—the triumph of mercy & grace (victory declared bodily: sin, death & the devil defeated)
 - His Ascension & Enthronement as Lord & Christ (a new, glorious humanity at the Father's right hand; in His eternal Sonship reigning supremely as Priest-Prophet-King, to mightily fulfill His Father's holy purpose within every nation)
 - His Outpouring of the Spirit in His name at Pentecost (ongoing dynamic, priestly, prophetic & kingly living through His people among the nations—opposed but unhindered)
 - His Awesome Appearing at the close of history (ultimate victory, judgment, liberation & renewal; the Son in His joy handing the fully manifested kingdom over to His Father)