1 Timothy 3:16; Luke 2:1-7

I. The Puzzle of the Flesh

- A. Created by God (Genesis 2:23-24; Exodus 28:24; Matthew 19:5; John 1:13; 3:6; Romans 1:3; Ephesians 2:11; Hebrews 2:14-15; Matthew 16:17; 26:41)
- B. Important to him (Genesis 9:11; Joel 2:28; Acts 2:17)
- C. Sinful and leads into sin (1 John 2:16; Romans 7:14; 8:5, 7, 9; 13:14)

II. The Offense of the Flesh

- A. The Greek problem
- B. The logos became flesh (John 1:1-3, 14)
- C. God's yes to his creation (2 Corinthians 1:20)

III. The Redemption of the Flesh

- A. Sin condemned in the flesh (Romans 8:3-4)
- B. The Incarnation
- C. Like his brothers (Hebrews 2:14-15; 4:15)
- D. In the flesh to redeem the flesh (Ephesians 5:29-30)

IV. The Transformation of the Flesh

- A. Good does not mean best (1 Corinthians 15:42-44)
- B. Resurrection and Creation (1 Corinthians 1:23; Romans 8:11)