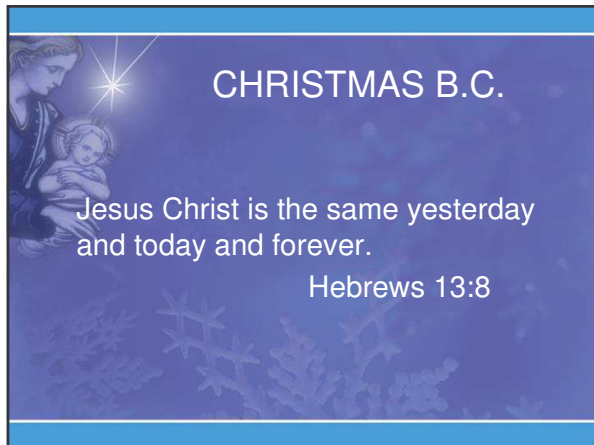




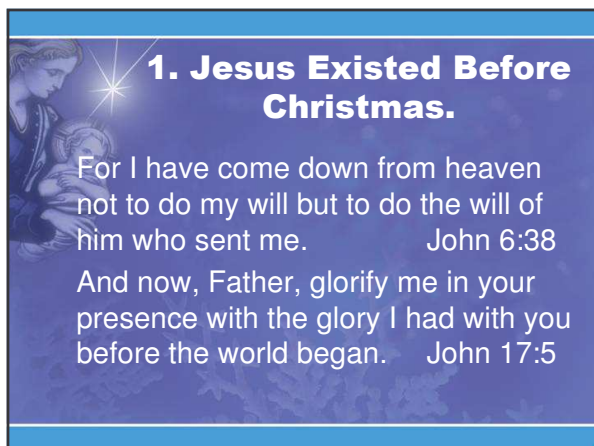
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Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:8



1. Jesus Existed Before Christmas.

For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of him who sent me. John 6:38

And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began. John 17:5



2. Jesus has always existed.

"But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times."

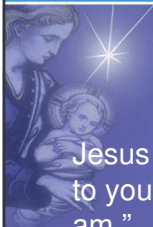
Micah 5:2



2. Jesus has always existed.

But of the Son *He says*, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever"

Hebrews 1:8



2. Jesus has always existed.

Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was born, I am."

John 8:58



3. Jesus was active before Christmas.

- A. Creating the Universe.
- B. Defeating the Devil.
- C. As the Angel of the LORD.



A. Creating the Universe.

For by Him all things were created, *both* in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. Colossians 1:16



A. Creating the Universe.

All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

John 1:3



A. Creating the Universe.

in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world.

Hebrews 1:2



B. Defeating the devil.

And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; he shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise him on the heel.”

Genesis 3:15



B. Defeating the devil.

When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him.

Colossians 2:15



B. Defeating the devil.

The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.

Romans 16:20



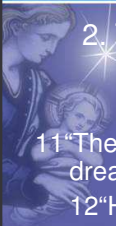
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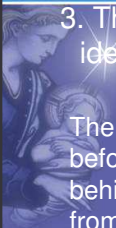
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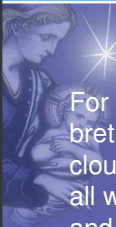
2. The “messenger of Jehovah” was ascribed to be deity.

11“Then the angel of God said to me in the dream, ‘Jacob,’ and I said, ‘Here I am.’
12“He said, ‘Lift up now your eyes and see *that* all the male goats which are mating are striped, speckled, and mottled; for I have seen all that Laban has been doing to you. 13‘I am the God *of* Bethel,
Genesis 31:11-13



3. The messenger of Jehovah is to be identified with the pre-incarnate Christ.
Compare with 1 Corinthians 10:4

The angel of God, who had been going before the camp of Israel, moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them. So it came between the camp of Egypt and the camp of Israel; and there was the cloud along with the darkness, yet it gave light at night. Exodus 14:19-20



For I do not want you to be unaware, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea; and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea; and all ate the same spiritual food; and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they were drinking from a spiritual rock which followed them; and the rock was Christ. 1 Corinthians 10:4
