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B. Christ is the eternal Son of God.

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Genesis 1:26 — “Then God said, “**Let Us** make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; ...””

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- a. We can’t say of ice, “You are not water. Or steam...”
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III. The incarnation of the Christ.

A. Jesus Christ took on human flesh at His conception.

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C. Jesus perfectly kept the law of God and did the will of God, taking upon Himself human nature yet without sin.

- 1. **Hebrews 4:15** — “¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin.”
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