The Incomparable Christ J. Oswald Sanders Chapter 15 -- The Prophetic Ministry of Christ

In addition to prediction, what else did the prophetic office also do and provide an example?

IT WAS PRECEPTIVE; JESUS TOLD THE SAMARITAN WOMAN WHAT SHE HAD DONE. [P. 156, 1^{ST} FULL ¶, 3^{RD} & 4^{TH} SENTENCES]

What did the prophetic role do regarding the will of God? IT REVEALED AND INTERPRETED GOD'S WILL THROUGH THE INSPIRATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT [P. 156, 2^{ND} FULL ¶, 1^{ST} SENTENCE]

What are the two elements of prophetic ministry?

1) PASSIVE -- RECEIVING THE REVELATIONS OF THE DIVINE WILL. 2) ACTIVE -- PASSING THE REVELATIONS TO THE PEOPLE (INSIGHT & FORESIGHT) [P. 156, 3^{RD} FULL ¶]

What are two marks of a true prophet?

HE HAD A MESSAGE DIRECTLY FROM GOD; HE WAS INDIFFERENT AS TO IT ACCEPTANCE BY THE PROPHET'S AUDIENCE; HE DISREGARDED THE CONSEQUENCES OF HIS TELLING OF THE MESSAGE. [P. 157, 1ST FULL ¶]

When did Jesus' prophetic ministry begin?
AT HIS BAPTISM. [P. 157, 2ND FULL ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

Which aspect of prophetic ministry did Jesus' role emphasize? THE PREDICTIVE ASPECT. [P. 157, 4^{TH} FULL ¶, 1^{ST} SENTENCE]

What made Jesus' prophetic utterances different from His predecessors?

HE SPOKE AUTHORITATIVELY, NOT 'THUS SAYS THE LORD'. [P. 158, 2^{ND} FULL \P]

In what other ways was Jesus prophetic ministry different from His predecessors? (hint: 3 more ways)

IT WAS AUTHORITATIVE. [P. 158, 2^{ND} FULL ¶, 1^{ST} SENTENCE] IT WAS INTERPRETATIVE. [P. 159, 1^{ST} FULL ¶, 1^{ST} SENTENCE]

IT IS BEING CONTINUED. [P. 158, 3RD FULL ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

What confirmed Jesus' prophetic ministry?
HIS MIRACLES. [P. 159, 2ND FULL ¶, 2ND SENTENCE]

What institution stands as representative of Christ's continuing prophetic ministry? What is its function?

THE CHURCH; THE CHURCH IS TO TEACH THE WORLD BY ITS PREACHING AND ORDINANCES. [P. 160, 1^{ST} PARTIAL ¶, 1^{ST} FULL SENTENCE]

What is the final act of Jesus' prophetic ministry? HIS FINAL AND COMPLETE REVELATION. [P. 160, 1^{ST} FULL ¶, 1^{ST} SENTENCE]

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declaimed -- spoke against
equivocation -- vaguely implying certain things without saying so
outrightly
erroneous -- mistaken
infallible -- completely without error or mistake
preceptive -- the author's intent here is to describe how Christ told
not just the unknown future but also the unknown past
(unknown but to one or a few individuals alone)
susceptible -- vulnerable