

Matthew 3:13-17

The Gospel of Matthew

Matthew 3-4 Preparation for the Ministry of the King

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¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John.

John was puzzled like us

¹⁴ But John tried to deter him, saying, 'I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?'

Jesus has no sin

V11 Jesus is one *more powerful*

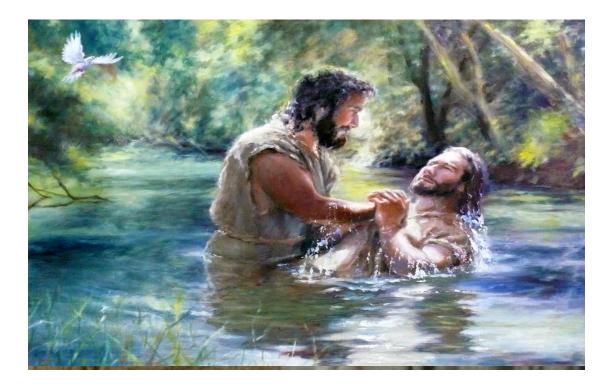


Why Jesus needed to be baptised?

¹⁵ Jesus replied, 'Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.' Then John consented.

Humility

Jesus humbled himself Do what God requires for our salvation to usher in the Kingdom of God



<u>Commitment to God</u> <u>To Fulfilled God's Salvation Plan</u>

2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

1 Peter 2:24

'He himself bore our sins' in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; 'by his wounds you have been healed.'



Empowerment of the Spirit for Ministry

¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

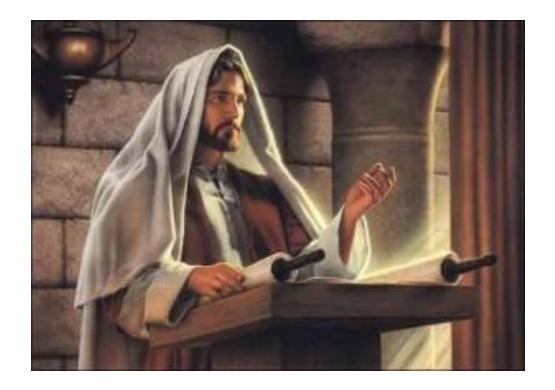


As prophesized by Isaiah 11:2

The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him – the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD



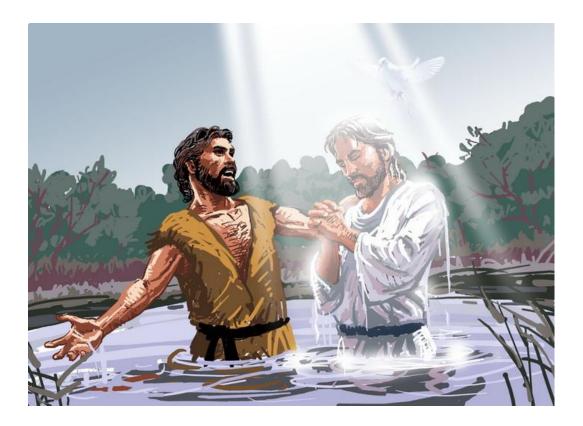
'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,



<u>The Love and</u> <u>Acknowledgment</u> <u>from God</u>

¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'

> Messianic Ruler Son Psalm 2:7 Suffering Servant Isaiah 42:1



Our Baptism

Peter in Acts 2:38

³⁸ Peter replied, 'Repent and be baptised, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,



What is Baptism?

The sacrament of baptism is a washing with water in the name of the Father, the son, and the Holy Spirit, which is a sign and seal that we are joined to Christ, that we receive the benefits of the covenant of grace, and that we are engaged to be the Lord's (SC94).



<u>What is Sacrament</u>

A sacrament is a holy regulation established by Christ, in which Christ and the benefits of the new covenant are represented, sealed, and applied to believers by physical signs (SC92).

A mean of grace to receive his covenantal blessings

Augustine of Hippo,

"A sacrament is a visible sign of a sacred thing, or a visible form of an invisible grace."



Significance of Baptism Born again to live the new life to follow him

Identification with Jesus in his death, burial, and resurrection

Romans 6:4

We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.





We are New Creation 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, **if anyone is in Christ**, he is a new creation: the old has gone, the new has come!

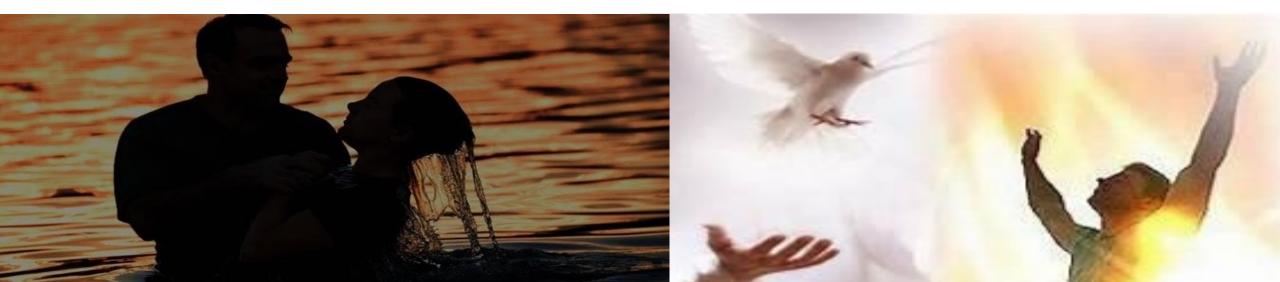
Died to the old, raised to the new

Colossians 2:12

having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

Conversion and Regeneration for the kingdom life

Conversion - Repentance and Believe in Jesus What we do to enter the kingdom Regeneration - Baptism and Receiving the Spirit What God does for us to live out the kingdom life





Repent with Thought, Word, Deed.

Believe is...

Historical – Based on Jesus' work on the cross.
Personal - He is Lord, talk and live with him.
Practical - Do what he says
Continual - keep on believing for a lifetime.

Be Baptised Receive the Spirit Empowered to Live & Serve

Water baptism deals with the past and leave us clean and empty Spirit's baptism prepares us for the future and fill us to overflowing **His Amazing Grace** *This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.*

The Messiah Servant King has come!