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# **The Life and Times of Jesus Christ**

# **Part 3**

## **The Baptism of Jesus Christ**

**Matthew**

**Mark**

**Luke**

**John**

**Matthew 3:13-17**

**Mark 1:9-11**

**Luke 3:21-22**

**John 1:29-34**



# **Mark 1:9a - NIV**

**At that time Jesus came from  
Nazareth in Galilee**

# **Matthew 3:13b**

**to the Jordan to be baptized by  
John.**

# **Luke 3:21a**

**When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too.**

# Matthew 3:14

But John tried to deter him, saying,  
“I need to be baptized by you, and  
do you come to me?”



# **Matthew 3:15**

**Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness.” Then John consented.**

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you I am well pleased.”



# John 1:29

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

# John 1:30

This is the one I meant when I said,  
'A man who comes after me has  
surpassed me because he was  
before me.'



# John 1:31

I myself did not know him,  
but the reason I came baptizing  
with water was that he might  
be revealed to Israel.”

# John 1:32

Then John gave this testimony:

“I saw the Spirit come down  
from heaven as a dove  
and remain on him.



# John 1:33

**And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'**

# John 1:34

I have seen and I testify that this is  
God's Chosen One."



## **Luke 3:23**

**Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry. He was the son, so it was thought, of Joseph, the son of Heli,**

# Luke 3:38

the son of Enosh, the son of Seth,  
the son of Adam, the son of God.



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## **Luke 3:3**

**Then John went from place to place  
on both sides of the Jordan River,  
preaching that people should be  
baptized to show that they had  
repented of their sins and turned  
to God to be forgiven.**



# **Matthew 3:5**

**People from Jerusalem and from  
all of Judea and all over the  
Jordan Valley went out to see  
and hear John.**

# **Matthew 3:6**

**And when they confessed  
their sins, he baptized them  
in the Jordan River.**

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# **Confession** *Defined*

**To admit and believe that God is correct regarding what He says about sin. Confession involves identifying things for what they truly are, which is sin, and honestly acknowledging the offenses we have committed.**

# **Repentance *Defined***

**Hebrew: a turning of the heart**

**Greek: a change of mind**

**Genuinely turning away from your sins  
and turning towards God in a way that  
is obvious and easy to see.**

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# **Romans 6:1**

**Well then, should we keep on  
sinning so that God can show  
us more and more of his  
wonderful grace?**

# **Romans 6:2**

**Of course not! Since we have died  
to sin, how can we continue  
to live in it?**



# **Romans 6:3**

**Or have you forgotten that when  
we were joined with Christ Jesus  
in baptism, we joined him  
in his death?**

# **Romans 6:4**

**For we died and were buried with Christ by baptism. And just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glorious power of the Father, now we also may live new lives.**



# **Romans 6:5**

**Since we have been united with him  
in his death, we will also be raised  
to life as he was.**



# **Romans 6:6**

**We know that our old sinful selves  
were crucified with Christ so that sin  
might lose its power in our lives.**

**We are no longer slaves to sin.**

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**The most important thing about baptism is not the act of baptism itself, but genuinely turning to God with all your heart, all your mind, all your soul, and all your strength for the forgiveness of your sins.**



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**So if our faith in Jesus Christ is real  
we know that God commands us to be  
baptized and we know that God is well  
pleased with baptism...**

**what possible reasons could we have  
as followers of Jesus Christ for not  
being baptized that we believe God  
will accept or with which He will be  
well pleased?**



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# **Matthew 10:32**

**Everyone who acknowledges me  
publicly here on earth, I will also  
acknowledge before my Father  
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# **Matthew 10:33**

**But everyone who denies me here  
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