



The Messiah We Didn't Expect



[Mar 1:1 ESV] 1 The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

The Most Impeccable and Impactful Witnesses to the above!

Mark 1:8-13 The next 2 most Important witnesses to Jesus being the Messiah!

If John baptized for repentance ([Mar 1:4](#)), why was Jesus baptized?

What are the important lessons from Jesus' baptism?

In regard to Jesus' baptism, what are the implications for us? What does Baptism mean?

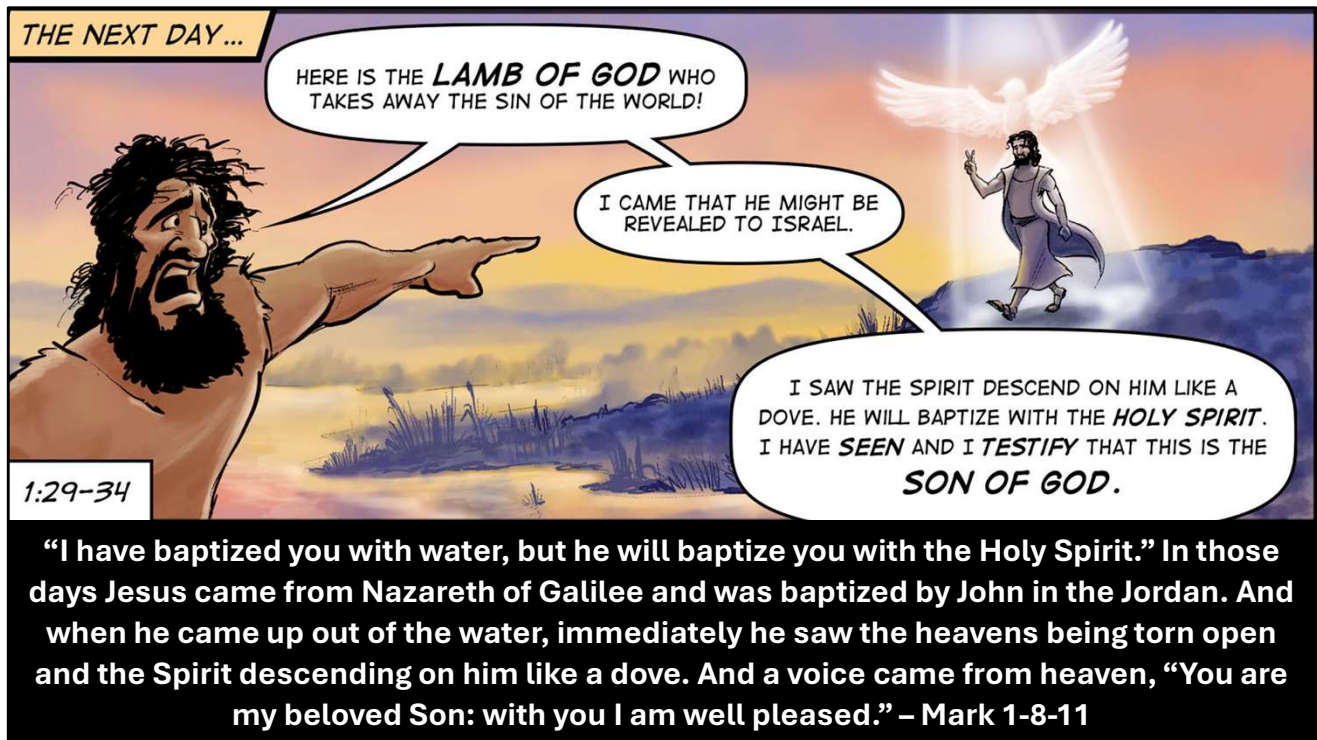
What does Jesus mean when he says to John, His baptism is necessary to "fulfill all righteousness" ([Mat 3:15](#))

When else did the Father speak from Heaven and what did He say?

Is the Doctrine of the Triune God (Trinity) in the Old Testament?

How did the Holy Spirit witness to the world in Jesus day and how does He "witness" to us today?

What happened next, after the Baptism? And what does that show us?



So last week we talked about John who fulfilled Prophecy in Mal.4 and Isa.40 as the One who would come. John preached Jesus is the Messiah, the Lamb who would come!

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John is the 1st Witness, His credibility is unquestioned

Now we see/hear the witness of the Father and the Son!

Jhn 1:29, 36 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "**Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!** ...

36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "**Behold, the Lamb of God!**" (2x!)

[Gen 22:8 ESV] 8 Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

[Rev 5:6 ESV] 6 And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders **I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain**, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

[Rev 7:17 ESV] 17 For **the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd**, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

[Mat 21:23-27 ESV] 23 And when he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" 24 Jesus answered them, "I also will ask you one question, and if you tell me the answer, then I also will tell you by what authority I do these things. 25 The baptism of John, from where did it come? From heaven or from man?" And they discussed it among themselves, saying, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' 26 But if we say, 'From man,' we are afraid of the crowd, for they all hold that John was a prophet." 27 So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I do these things.

[Isa 9:1-2 ESV] 1 But there will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. 2 The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

[Jhn 7:41-42 ESV] 41 Others said, "This is the Christ." But some said, "**Is the Christ to come from Galilee? 42 Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the offspring of David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?**"

[Jhn 7:46 ESV] 46 The officers answered, "No one ever spoke like this man!"

• Is the Trinity in the Old Testament?

- Genesis 1:2 – And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.
- Genesis 1:26 – Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness.” (3:22, 11:7)
- Psalm 2:6-7, 30:4 – My Son!
- Christophanies, Elohim (plural), Isaiah 6:3 – Holy x3



1st we must tackle the problem of “The SON of God” a mere man? And did the jews believe in a Trinity, was it a stumbling block?

They expected a Messiah, but did they know He is God?! And Man?

No entourage? No Escalade? No Fanfare?

Is the Doctrine of the Triune God (Trinity) in the Old Testament?

[Gen 3:22 ESV] 22 Then the LORD God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever--“

[Gen 11:7 ESV] 7 Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they may not understand one another's speech.“

[Isa 6:8 ESV] 8 And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here I am! Send me.”

Therefore by the Spirit must necessarily be meant some suppositum or person concurring to this work; to wit, the same Spirit who is elsewhere termed the author of creation (Ps. 33:6; 104:30; Is. 40:13, 14, expressions applying to no created thing).

[Psa 110:1 ESV] **1 A Psalm of David. The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool."**

[**Mat 22:42-46** ESV] 42 saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." 43 He said to them, "How is it then that David, in the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, 44 "'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'? 45 If then David calls him Lord, how is he his son?" 46 And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

[Psa 2:6-7 ESV] 6 "As for me, **I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill.**" 7 I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "**You are my Son; today I have begotten you.**

[**Pro 30:4** ESV] 4 **Who has ascended to heaven and come down? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has wrapped up the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is his son's name? Surely you know!**

[Deuteronomy 6:4](#) is a verse that seems, at first, to wholly negate the doctrine of the Trinity: "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one."

(Interestingly, the singular *Yahweh* is coupled with the plural *Elohim* in this verse.) The word translated "one" is *ehad*, which means "one" or "unity"; however, the word is also used in other contexts to suggest a plurality within unity.

Instances of Christophany

A Christophany (from the Greek "christo" meaning "Christ" + "phan" meaning "revealed, manifest") is a word used to label a visible or audible preincarnate manifestation of Christ found in scripture (Old Testament).

**Adam and
Eve in The
Garden**

**Abraham and Sarah in
the plains of Mamre**

**Joshua
by Jericho**

**Moses at the
tabernacle (twice)**

Jacob Wrestling

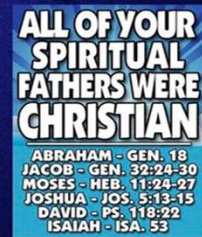
**Hagar in the
way to Shur**

**Isaiah's
commission**

**Moses and the
elders at Sinai**

**Gideon
wants a sign**

**Manoah
and his wife**



Some of the most notable Christophanies include: God in Human form! God is Spirit and not a human!

The "Angel of the Lord" spoke to Hagar (Genesis 16)

The Lord appeared to Abraham with two angels (Genesis 18)

Jacob wrestled with a man he later identifies as God (Genesis 32)

The "fourth man" in the fiery furnace with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, described as "like a son of the gods" (Daniel 3)

The commander of the Lord's army appeared to Joshua (Joshua 5)

Examples of Theophanies/Christophanies in the Bible

Genesis 3:8 – God walks in the Garden of Eden with Adam and Eve.

Genesis 11:5 – God comes down to see the Tower of Babel.

Genesis 12:7 – The Lord appears to Abraham, promising him the land.

Genesis 16:7-14 – The Angel of the Lord appears to Hagar.

Genesis 17:1 – The Lord appears to Abraham again, reaffirming His covenant.

Genesis 18:1-33 – The Lord appears to Abraham in human form, along with two angels.

Genesis 19:24 – God rains down sulfur and fire on Sodom and Gomorrah.

Genesis 22:11-18 – The Angel of the Lord stops Abraham from sacrificing Isaac.

Genesis 28:10-22 – Jacob sees a ladder reaching from heaven to earth.

Genesis 32:22-30 – Jacob wrestles with God, who appears as a man.

Genesis 35:1-15 – God appears to Jacob again, renaming him Israel.

Exodus 3:2-4:17 – God appears to Moses in a burning bush.

Exodus 13:20-22 – God leads the Israelites as a pillar of cloud and fire.

Exodus 24:9-11 – God appears to Moses, Aaron, and the elders on Mount Sinai.

Exodus 33:9-11 – God speaks to Moses face-to-face.

Exodus 33:18-23 – Moses sees God's glory.

Exodus 34:5 – God comes down in a cloud.

Leviticus 9:1-5, 23 – God appears to Moses, Aaron, and the Israelites.

Numbers 11:25 – God comes down in a cloud.

Numbers 12:4-9 – God appears to Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

Numbers 14:10 – The glory of the Lord appears to the Israelites.

Deuteronomy 31:14-15 – God appears to Moses and Joshua.

Judges 6:11-24 – The Angel of the Lord appears to Gideon.

Judges 13:2-25 – The Angel of the Lord appears to Manoah and his wife.

1 Kings 19:9-18 – God appears to Elijah on Mount Horeb.

2 Kings 19:35 – An angel of the Lord strikes down the Assyrian army.

Psalms 18:7-15 – God's power is described in terms of natural phenomena.

Job 38-42 – God speaks to Job from a whirlwind.

Isaiah 6:1-13 – Isaiah sees God on His throne in the temple.

Ezekiel 1:4-28 – Ezekiel sees God's glory in a vision.

Ezekiel 8:1-18 – Ezekiel sees God's glory again.

Daniel 3:24-25 – A fourth man, often interpreted as Christ, appears in the fiery furnace.

Daniel 7:9-10 – Daniel sees God as the Ancient of Days.

Daniel 10:5-6 – Daniel sees a divine being, possibly an angel or Christ.

Amos 9:1 – God appears to Amos.

Zechariah 1:11 – God appears as the Angel of the Lord to Zechariah.

Zechariah 3:1 – God appears as the Angel of the Lord to Zechariah.

Jeremiah 1:4-9 – God appears to Jeremiah as the Word of the Lord

<https://reasonsforhopejesus.com/what-is-a-theophany-christophany/>

•The Spirit proves and/or prosecutes!

- The Spirit proves the heart. Goads! – Acts 2:37, 9:5
- The Spirit hammers our hearts! Convicts to convert!
- He, the 3rd Person of the Trinity Draws us! – John 6
- The Holy Spirit cleanses! Fire and Water – Matthew 3:11
- He is More than your Conscience! Hound of heaven!

Acts 2:37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

Ecclesiastes 12:11 we read, “*The words of the wise are as goads, and as nails fastened by the masters of assemblies, which are given from one shepherd.*”

Acts 9:5. And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

Psalms 73:21 Thus my heart was grieved, and I was pricked in my reins. [Oak: kidneys, figuratively the mind as the interior self]

[Jer 23:29 ESV] 29 Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?

[Psa 32:4 ESV] 4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah

[Psa 38:4 ESV] 4 For my iniquities have gone over my head; like a heavy burden, they are too heavy for me.

[Psa 69:20 NKJV] 20 Reproach has broken my heart, And I am full of heaviness; I looked [for someone] to take pity, but [there was] none; And for comforters, but I found none.

[Mat 11:28 ESV] 28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

[Jhn 6:44 ESV] 44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.

[Jhn 12:32 ESV] 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."

[Hos 11:4 ESV] 4 I led them with cords of kindness, with the bands of love, and I became to them as one who eases the yoke on their jaws, and I bent down to them and fed them.

Mat 3:11 ESV] 11 "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. **He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.**"

(Baptize = water, Fire, both purify, cleanse, heal and refresh)

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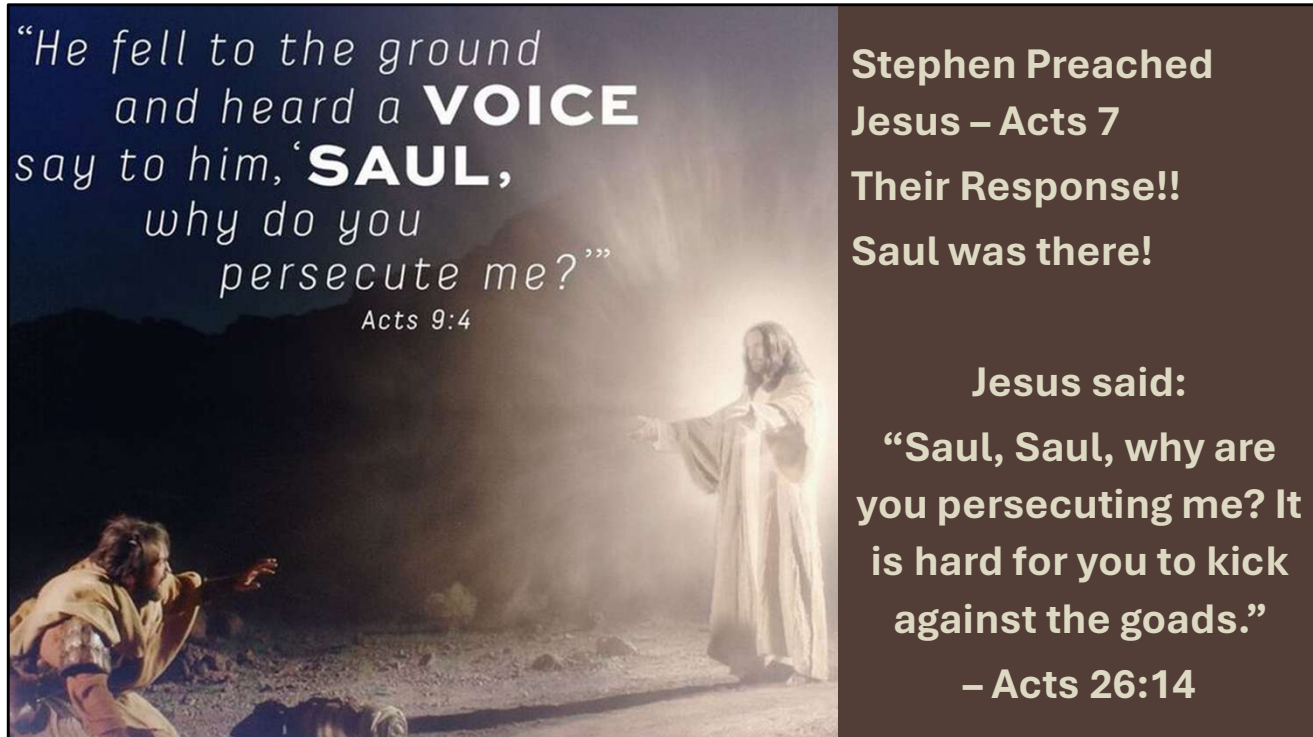
[Heb 10:29 ESV] 29 How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved

by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has **outraged the Spirit of grace?**

[Jer 20:9 ESV] 9 If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.

[Luk 24:32 ESV] 32 They said to each other, "**Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?**"

[Heb 4:12 ESV] 12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.



Saul, Apostle Paul! Rejecting Jesus is very personal!

[Act 7:51-55, 57-58 ESV] 51 "**You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit.** As your fathers did, so do you. 52 Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, 53 you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it." 54 Now when they heard these things **they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him.** 55 **But he, full of the Holy Spirit,** gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ... 57 But **they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him.** 58 **Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him.** And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul.

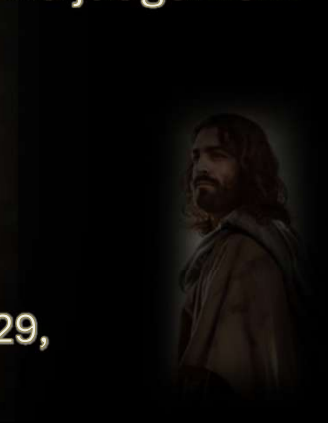
[Act 9:3-5 ESV] 3 Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. 4 And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" 5 And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting.

Act 26:14

And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language,[fn] **'Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me? It is hard for you to kick**

against the goads.'

•The Witness of the Spirit!

- John 16:8 - And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgement
 - Don't resist – Acts 7:51
 - Quench – 1 Thessalonians 5:19
 - Grieve – Ephesians 4:30, Lie to – Acts 5:3
 - Blaspheme against the Holy Spirit – Mark 3:29, Hebrews 10:29
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[Jhn 15:26 ESV] 26 "But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me.

[Jhn 16:7-11 ESV] 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 **And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.**

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[Jas 4:7 ESV] 7 Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

Romans 8:16

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When they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, 'Brothers, what shall we do?' (Acts 2:37).

Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked with us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" (Luke 24:32).

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[Eph 4:17-32 ESV] 17 Now this I say and testify in the Lord, that you must no longer walk as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their minds. 18 They are **darkened in their understanding, alienated** from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them, due to their **hardness of heart**. 19 **They have become callous** and have **given themselves up** to sensuality, greedy to practice every kind of impurity. 20 But that is not the way you learned Christ!-- 21 assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, 22 to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, 23 and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, 24 and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness. 25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and **give no opportunity to the devil**. 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. 29 **Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths**, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And **do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption**. 31 **Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you**, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, **forgiving one another**, as God in Christ forgave you.

[Jhn 16:13 ESV] 13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.



•The Spirit like a Dove?

- Dove, a symbol of Peace with God!
– Genesis 8:11 Noah!
- Dove, a symbol of gentle Love – Song of Solomon 2:14
- A sacrifice for the poorest people
– Leviticus 5:7, 14:22, 12
- A picture of harmlessness! – Matthew 10:16



You never saw a scifi movie of Doves have you? Movie “The Birds” Hitchcock, Crows, Ravens, Sparrows and Gulls, NO Doves

[Gen 8:11 ESV] 11 And the dove came back to him in the evening, and behold, in her mouth was a freshly plucked olive leaf. So Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth.

[Psa 55:6 ESV] 6 And I say, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! I would fly away and be at rest;

[Sng 2:14 ESV] 14 O my dove, in the clefts of the rock, in the crannies of the cliff, let me see your face, let me hear your voice, for your voice is sweet, and your face is lovely.

[Isa 38:14 ESV] 14 Like a swallow or a crane I chirp; I moan like a dove. My eyes are weary with looking upward. O Lord, I am oppressed; be my pledge of safety!

[Lev 12:2, 6-8 ESV] 2 "Speak to the people of Israel, saying, If a woman conceives and bears a male child, then she shall be unclean seven days. As at the time of her menstruation, she shall be unclean. ... 6 "And when the days of her purifying are completed, whether for a son or for a daughter, she shall bring to the priest at the entrance of the tent of meeting a lamb a year old for a burnt offering, and a pigeon or a turtledove for a sin offering, 7 and he shall offer it before the LORD and make atonement for her. Then she shall be clean from the flow of her blood. This is the law for her who bears a child, either male or female. 8 And if she cannot afford a lamb, then she shall take two turtledoves or two pigeons, one for a burnt offering and the other for a sin offering. And the priest shall make atonement for her, and she

shall be clean.“

[Lev 5:7 ESV] 7 "But if he cannot afford a lamb, then he shall bring to the LORD as his compensation for the sin that he has committed two turtledoves or two pigeons, one for a sin offering and the other for a burnt offering.

[Lev 14:22 ESV] 22 also two turtledoves or two pigeons, whichever he can afford. The one shall be a sin offering and the other a burnt offering.

[Lev 15:14 ESV] 14 And on the eighth day he shall take two turtledoves or two pigeons and come before the LORD to the entrance of the tent of meeting and give them to the priest.

[Num 6:10 ESV] 10 On the eighth day he shall bring two turtledoves or two pigeons to the priest to the entrance of the tent of meeting,

[Luk 2:22 ESV] 22 And when the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, they brought him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord

[Luk 2:24 ESV] 24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."

[Mat 10:16 ESV] 16 "Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.



[Luk 24:13-16, 25-32 ESV] 13 That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ... 25 And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" 27 And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself. 28 So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, 29 but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. 30 When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. 31 And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. 32 **They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?"**

•The Father Witnesses!

- God Speaks from Heaven, Audibly!!

- Mark 1:11 – And **a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”**

- Mark 9:7 – And a cloud overshadowed them, and **a voice came out of the cloud, “This is my beloved Son; listen to him.”**



The Spirit witnesses internally – the heart!!!

God witnesses externally – Voice and Signs! Heb.1

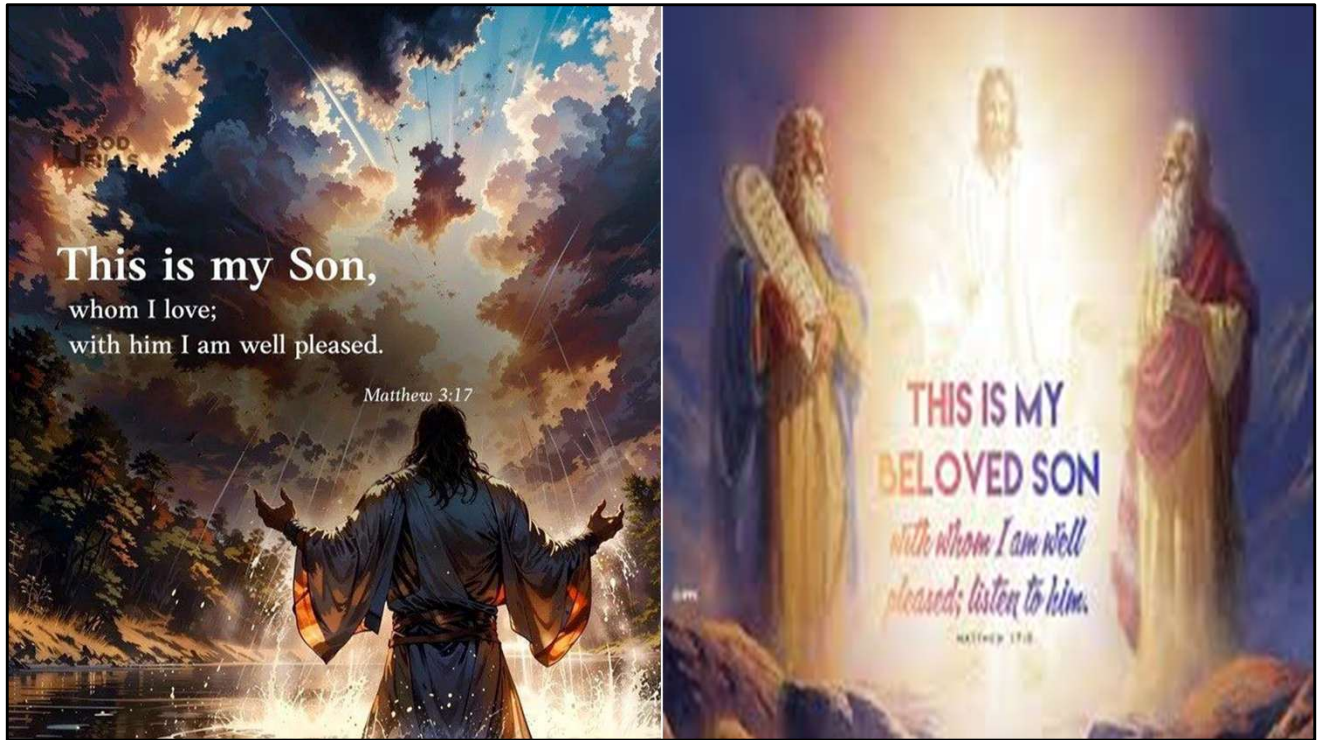
[Deu 18:15-19 ESV] 15 "The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers--it is to him you shall listen-- 16 just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' 17 And the LORD said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. 19 And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him.'

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Mt.3 Baptism by John

Mt.17

[Mat 3:17 ESV] 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

[Mat 17:5 ESV] 5 He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

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[2Pe 1:17 ESV] 17 For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased,"

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"For when He received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to Him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven."



In Peters 2nd letter, he recalls the unforgettable experience of hearing Gods voice! Majestic!!

Resurrected Moses and Elijah join in in validating Jesus!

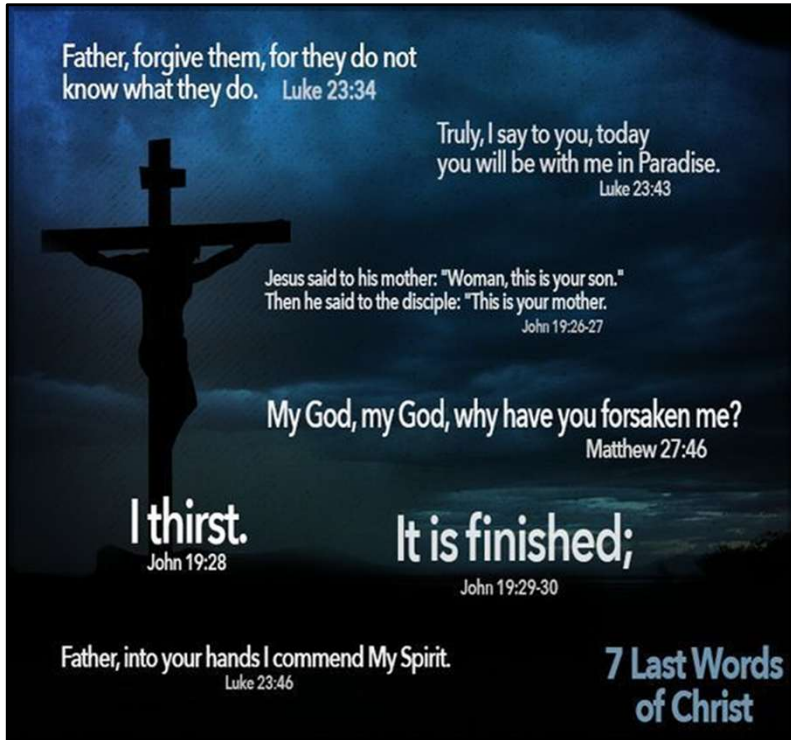
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7 Last Words of Christ

Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do. Luke 23:34

Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise. Luke 23:43

Jesus said to his mother: "Woman, this is your son." Then he said to the disciple: "This is your mother." John 19:26-27

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? Matthew 27:46

I thirst. John 19:28

It is finished; John 19:29-30

Father, into your hands I commend My Spirit. Luke 23:46

God Speaks...
 Jews collaborate with Romans
 Innocent man rushed to Cross
 Jesus lays down life – no fight
 Jesus calls on the Father! 3x!

Demonstrate signs

- Darkness!
- Earthquake! Tombs opened
- Temple Veil Torn!!
- Jesus' Impeccable character and undeniable love!
- Jesus dies prematurely upon His own word!

A Roman Centurion bows!

An Empty Tomb!

Irrational contorted Hatred that drove an illegal trial and scandalous crucifixion of an Innocent Man!

Psa 19:1-4 NKJV To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork. 2 Day unto day utters speech, And night unto night reveals knowledge. 3 [There is] no speech nor language [Where] their voice is not heard. 4 Their line has gone out through all the earth, And their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun,

Pilate declared jesus innocent at least 3x

7 witnesses declared jesus innocent

Jesus prophesied His crucifixion, place, means, by whom and rising on 3rd day!

So, God verbally spoke at Jesus' baptism, Transfiguration and indirectly speaks at His Crucifixion/Resurrection!

[Heb 1:1-5 ESV] 1 Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. 3 He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, 4 having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. 5 For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?

[Jhn 15:22 ESV] 22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin.

[Rom 1:20 ESV] 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse.

[Rom 2:1, 15 ESV] 1 Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things. ... 15 They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them

• Jesus was baptized!?!

- The best of men – John – Exclaims Jesus' Excellence!
- Jesus was identifying with us! His Humanity.
- The Triune God (Trinity) were ALL 3 persons involved!
- Jesus was fulfilling Righteousness! Active obedience!
- Jesus' righteousness on earth, credited to our account!

why was Jesus baptized even though he had no sin??!

John Says:

I am Not worthy to unstrap his sandals. John was saying Jesus You DON'T need to be baptized!!

He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit?! How?

After me comes He who is mightier than I

Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

John was best of men and now fulfilling His role in Identifying the One who was to come!!

[Mat 3:15 ESV] 15 But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented.

[Mat 5:17-20, 43-48 ESV] 17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them. 18 For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the Law until all is accomplished. 19 Therefore whoever relaxes one of the least of these commandments and

teaches others to do the same will be called least in the kingdom of heaven, but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ... 43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' 44 But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, 45 so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. 46 For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? 47 And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? 48 You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.



• Baptisms importance!

- Jesus sets an example! Commands us to be!
- Jesus was both circumcised and baptized! OT & NT
 - Jesus' baptism was a credo baptism, He chose to
- Jesus was Immersed!!! He came up out of the water!
- Then He was tempted/tested, passed the test! DNA

Jesus' baptism and announcement as Savior/Lamb commenced His earthly Messianic Ministry. The Church's beginning also started with announcing Jesus as Savior and immediate baptism of 3000

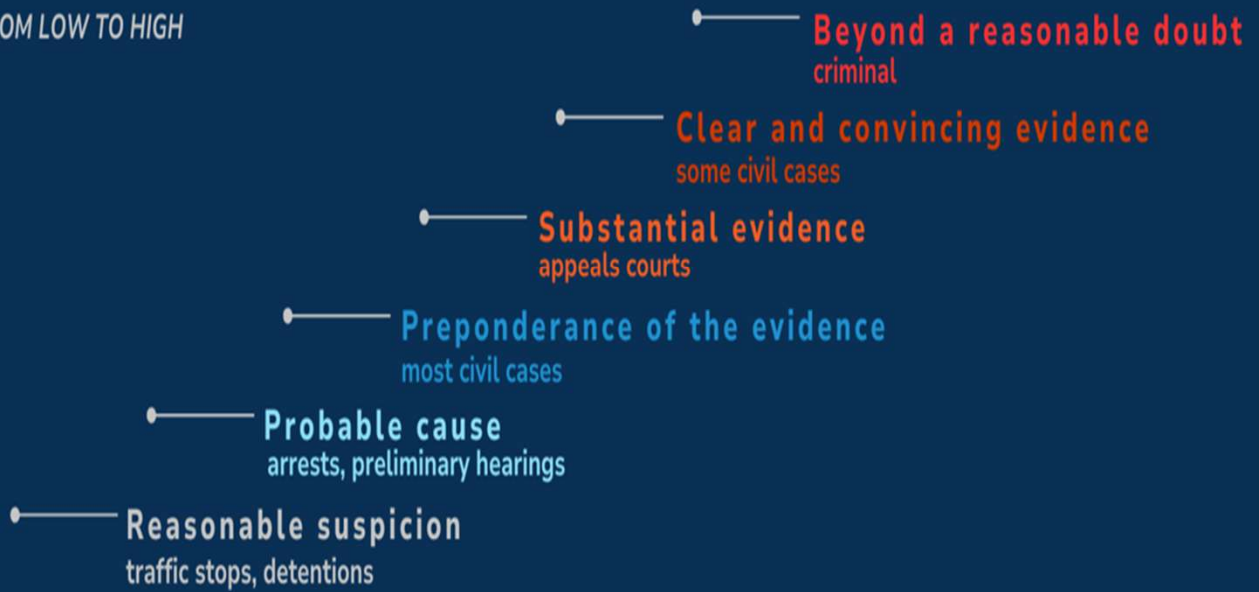
Baptism is non-salvific but absolutely essential for the believer, it identifies us with Him and Him with us!

Paedobaptism was not for Jesus – this was credo baptism. As an Adult He tells John to baptize him, its necessary

Its not sprinkling, pouring or otherwise. He went out into the desert (surely someone had water with them so sprinkling or pouring would've been possible), but went into a river! Came up out of the water!

LEGAL STANDARDS OF PROOF

FROM LOW TO HIGH



Irrefutable, uncontestable, overwhelming Evidence: Jesus is God, our Savior and Messiah!

•Immediately!!

- Mark 1:3, 10, 12, 18, 20, 21, 23, 28, 29, 30, 42, 43 (12x)
- Matthew 6:10 – Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. (Immediately, Happily, fully)
- Immediately = Action, serving, Obedience, convinced
- Mark 1:18 – And immediately they left their nets and followed him.

12x in chapter 1 alone!

[Mar 1:3, 10, 12, 18, 20-21, 23, 28-30, 42-43 ESV] 3 the voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'" ... **10 And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ... 12 The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.** ... 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him. ... 20 And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him. 21 And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath he entered the synagogue and was teaching. ... 23 And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ... 28 And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee. 29 And immediately he left the synagogue and entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. 30 Now Simon's mother-in-law lay ill with a fever, and immediately they told him about her. ... 42 And immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean. 43 And Jesus sternly charged him and sent him away at once,

42x in Greek word G2117 – euthys εὐθύς. 35x in English - immediately

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[Mar 2:8, 12 ESV] 8 And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? ... 12 And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

[Mar 3:6 ESV] 6 The Pharisees went out and immediately held counsel with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

[Mar 4:5, 15-17, 29 ESV] 5 Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and immediately it sprang up, since it had no depth of soil. ... 15 And these are the ones along the path, where the word is sown: when they hear, Satan immediately comes and takes away the word that is sown in them. 16 And these are the ones sown on rocky ground: the ones who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with joy. 17 And they have no root in themselves, but endure for a while; then, when tribulation or persecution arises on account of the word, immediately they fall away. ... 29 But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come."

[Mar 5:2, 29-30, 42 ESV] 2 And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. ... 29 And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. 30 And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" ... 42 And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was

twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement.

[Mar 6:25, 27, 45, 50, 54 ESV] 25 And she came in immediately with haste to the king and asked, saying, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." ... 27 And immediately the king sent an executioner with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison ... 45 Immediately he made his disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, to Bethsaida, while he dismissed the crowd. ... 50 for they all saw him and were terrified. But immediately he spoke to them and said, "Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid." ... 54 And when they got out of the boat, the people immediately recognized him

[Mar 7:25 ESV] 25 But immediately a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet.

[Mar 8:10 ESV] 10 And immediately he got into the boat with his disciples and went to the district of Dalmanutha.

[Mar 9:15, 20, 24 ESV] 15 And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. ... 20 And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ... 24 Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!"

[Mar 10:52 ESV] 52 And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

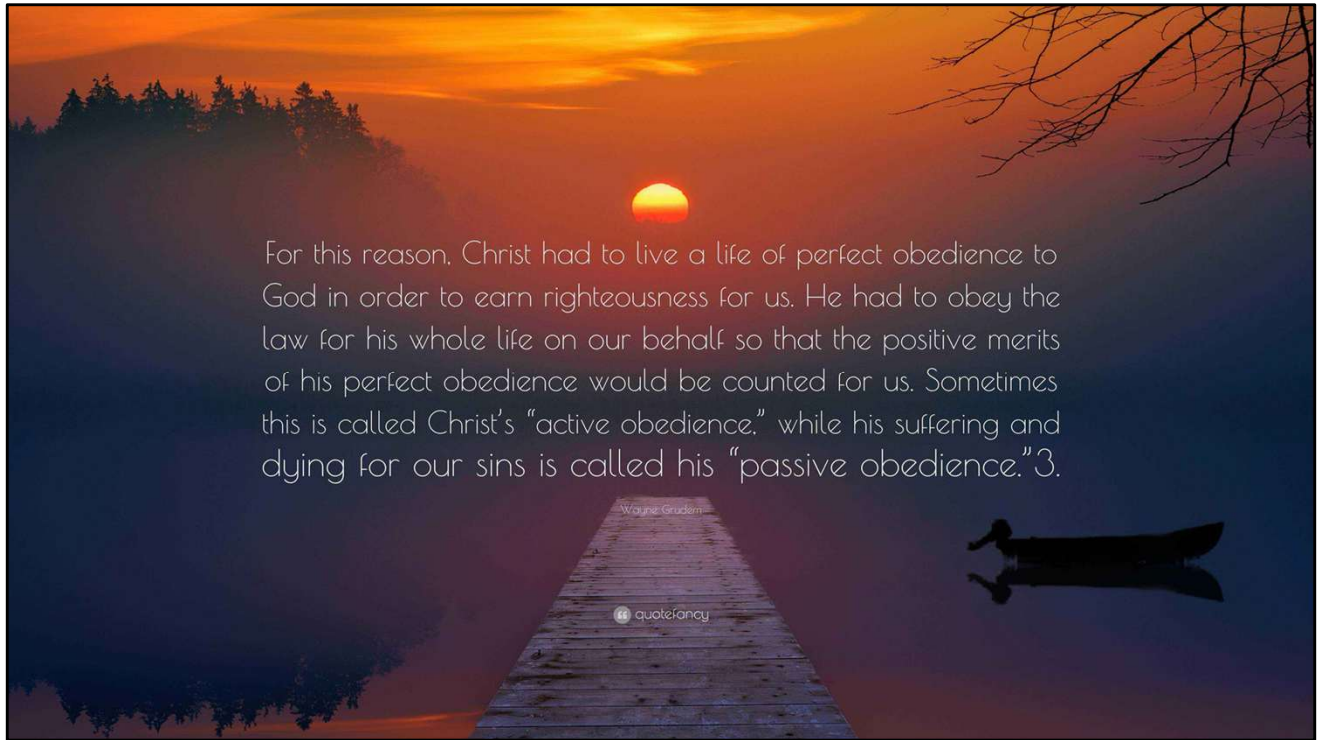
[Mar 11:2-3 ESV] 2 and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. 3 If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'"

[Mar 14:43, 45, 72 ESV] 43 And immediately, while he was still speaking, Judas came, one of the twelve, and with him a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. ... 45 And when he came, he went up to him at once and said, "Rabbi!" And he kissed him. ... 72 And immediately the rooster crowed a second time. And Peter remembered how Jesus had said to him, "Before the rooster crows twice, you will deny me three times." And he broke

down and wept.

[Mar 15:1 ESV] 1 And as soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. And they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him over to Pilate.

[Mar 1:16-18 ESV] 16 Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. 17 And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men." 18 And immediately they left their nets and followed him.



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•A Short Trial

- 1st Witness: John the Baptist (foretold & revered)
- 2nd Witness: The Holy Spirit (Internal convicter)
- 3rd Witness: God the Father (The Judge from Above)
- 4th Witness: Satan; DNA, Jesus did NOT Sin!
- 5th Witness: Jesus, Willingly died, rose from dead!
- What will you do? Immediately?!! Thomas? Baptism?



You could argue Mark too; A coward turned Confessor! A Truly changed man!

Except the trial was to find the perfect partner for my daughter

Or to find/authenticate a Work of Art, or Test a Navy Seal or true future king...

When God gives Witness; Its like the DA, The Prosecutor Father rising from the bench and taking the stand on behalf of the defendant!

[Jhn 1:29-36 ESV] 29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "**Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!**" 30 This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.' 31 **I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.**" 32 And John bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. 33 I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' 34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." 35 The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, 36 and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!"

[Jhn 16:7-11 ESV] 7 Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. 8 And when he comes, he will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment: 9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me; 10 concerning righteousness, because I go to the Father, and you will see me no longer; 11 concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

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[Mar 9:7 ESV] 7 And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him."

[Mat 4:3-11 ESV] 3 And the tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." 4 But he answered, "It is written, "'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" 5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple 6 and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, "'He will command his angels concerning you,' and "'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" 7 Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'" 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. 9 And he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." 10 Then Jesus said to him, "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, "'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.'" 11 Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

[Heb 4:15 ESV] 15 For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

[Jhn 10:11, 18 ESV] 11 I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ... 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This charge I have received from my Father.“

[Jhn 20:28 ESV] 28 Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

Holy Spirit's Ministry to Jesus Christ

Born by the Holy Spirit	Matt. 1:18; Luke 1:35
Holy Spirit descended on Jesus at His baptism.	Luke 3:22
Led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted	Luke 4:1
Returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit	Luke 4:14
"The Spirit of the Lord is upon ME . . ."	Luke 4:18
He rejoiced greatly in the Holy Spirit.	Luke 10:21
Gave orders to the disciples by the Holy Spirit	Acts 1:2
Ministry performed in the power of the Spirit.	Acts 2:22
Anointed with the Holy Spirit	Acts 10:38
Offered Himself - died - by the Spirit.	Heb. 9:14
Returned to life by the Holy Spirit	1 Pet. 3:18

Never overlook the Holy Spirit!

[Mat 1:18 ESV] 18 Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together **she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit.**

[Luk 1:35 And the angel answered her, "**The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy--the Son of God.**

[Luk 3:22 ESV] 22 and **the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."**

[Luk 4:1, 14, 18 ESV] 1 And **Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ...** 14 And **Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee,** and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. ... 18 "**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed,**

[Luk 10:21 ESV] 21 In that same **hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, "I thank**

you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.

[Act 1:2 ESV] 2 until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

[Act 2:22 "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—

[Act 10:38 ESV] 38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

[Heb 9:14 ESV] 14 **how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God,** purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

[1Pe 3:18 ESV] 18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,

HE IS MADE SIN *because God credits our
sin to Him* WE'RE MADE RIGHTEOUS *because
God credits His righteousness to us.*

JOHN MACARTHUR

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**For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin;
that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him!**

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2Cor 5:21

Don't Grieve the Spirit - Eph. 4:30

Don't quench the Spirit - 1 Thess. 5:19

Don't lie to the Spirit - Acts 5:3

*Don't insult or rail against the
Spirit - Mark 3:29; Heb. 10:29*





The Spirit itself
beareth witness with our spirit,

that we are
the children of God.

Romans 8:16

Conviction by the Spirit	Condemnation by the Enemy
True guilt	False guilt
Leads to contrition (sorry you sinned)	Leads to feeling worthless, inept (a sorry sinner)
Targets our sin (that was wrong)	Attacks our person (you are bad)
Explains	Accuses
Illuminates our path	Darkens our understanding
Specific wrong is clarified	Fog of general wrongness sinks in
Brings repentance	Spreads confusion
Feels light and right	Feels heavy and wrong
May not want to repent, but agree with truth	May be willing to confess to anything, but can get no freedom

THE OBEDIENCE OF JESUS

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ACTIVE OBEDIENCE

He lived perfectly under the law for righteousness to fulfill
the righteousness required of humanity
(Gal. 4:4-5; 1 Cor. 1:30; Matthew 5:17; Romans 5:8; 8:3)

PASSIVE OBEDIENCE

He took a punishment via the death on the cross for sin,
enduring punishment deserved by humanity
(Hebrews 10:10; 5:8; Romans 5)

I testify about Myself and

the Father testifies about Me

John 8:18

**The Testimony of Two, The Father and The Son,
John 8:16-18**





- **This is My beloved Son**
(Jesus)
- **In whom I am well pleased**
-Heb 10:7
-Jno 8:29, 55
- **Hear Him!**
-Matt 13:9

The Father's endorsement of Son

Matt 17:5; 2 Pet 1:17-18 (Isa 42:1)

11

Resurrected Moses and Elijah join in validating Jesus!

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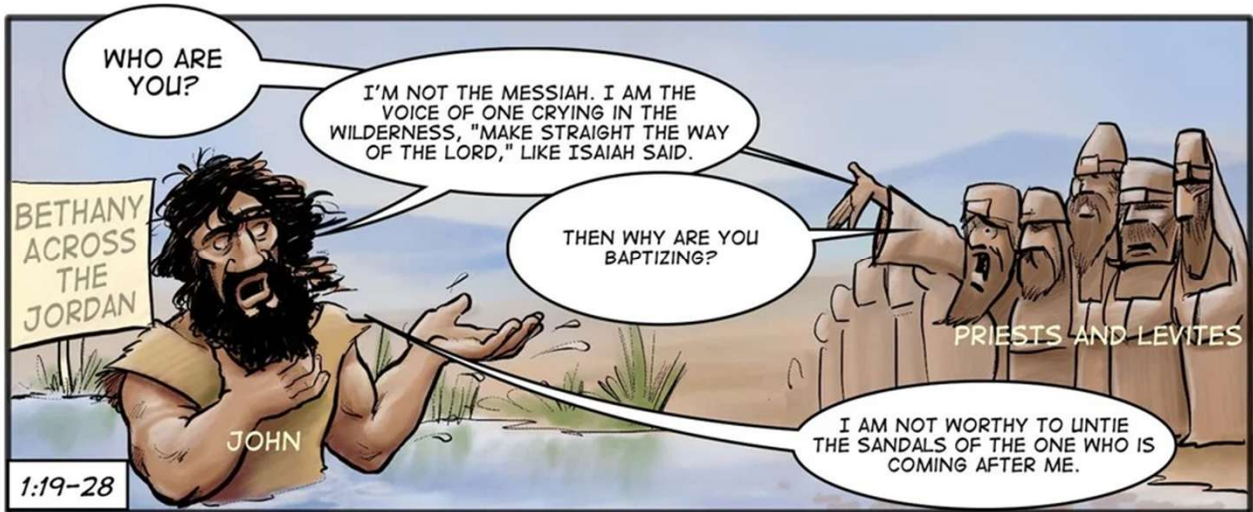


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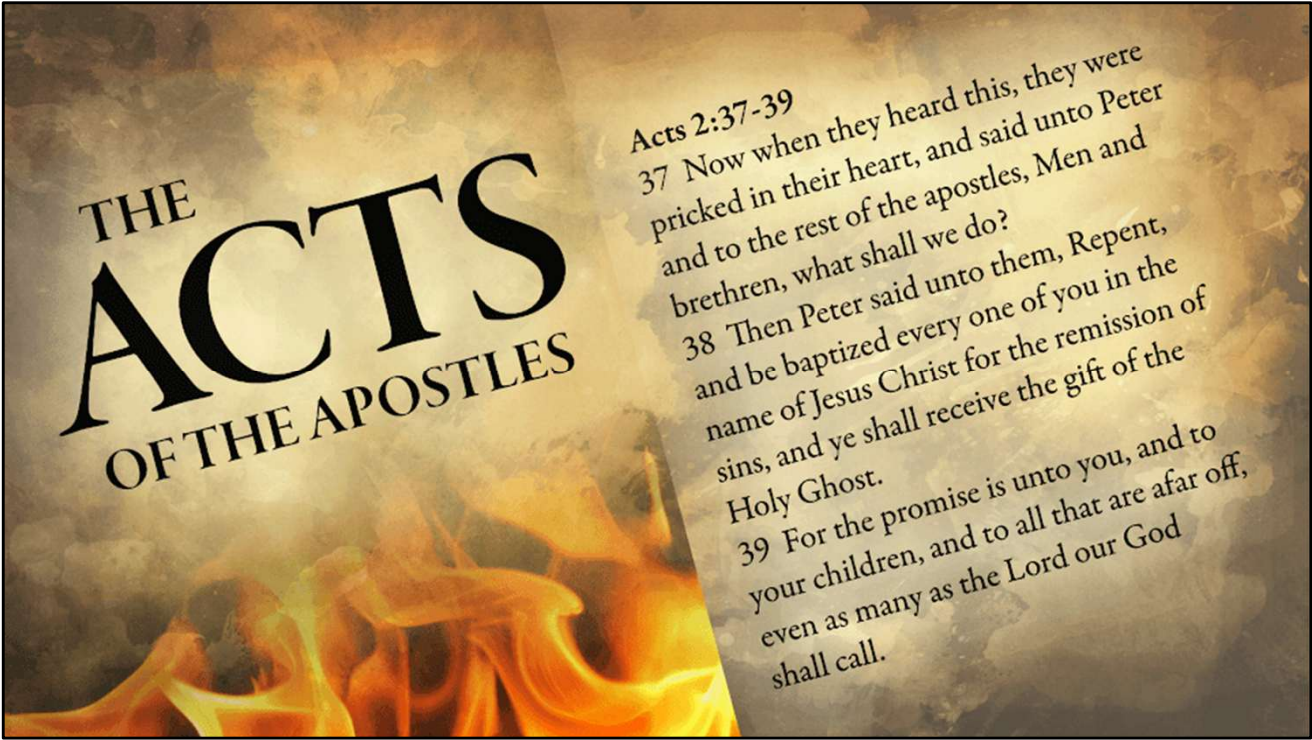
Matthew 3:16b	Mark 1:10b	Luke 3:21b–22
καὶ ἰδοὺ ἠνεώχθησαν οἱ οὐρανοί, καὶ εἶδεν πνεῦμα θεοῦ καταβαῖνον ὡσεὶ περιστέρην ἐρχόμενον ἐπ’ αὐτόν·	εἶδεν σχιζομένους τοὺς οὐρανοὺς καὶ τὸ πνεῦμα ὡς περιστέρην καταβαῖνον εἰς αὐτόν·	ἠνεώχθη τὸν οὐρανὸν καὶ καταβῆναι τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον σωματικῶς εἶδει ὡς περιστέρην ἐπ’ αὐτόν·
<i>And behold the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.</i>	he saw the heavens being torn open and <i>the Spirit</i> descending on him like <i>a dove</i>	The heaven was opened and <i>the Holy Spirit</i> descended on him in bodily form like <i>a dove</i> .

MATTHEW 17:5

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Deuteronomy 18:15, 17-18

15 “The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— 17 And the Lord said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. 18 I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him.



THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 2:37-39

37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

2

TWO TYPES OF GODLY OBEDIENCE



ACTIVE

Do God's commands
Read your Bible
Pray
Love your neighbor
Preach the Gospel



PASSIVE

Do nothing
Trust God
Believe in God
Wait on God
Have joy in the Lord

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While everyone was amazed at all that he was doing, he said to his disciples, ⁴⁴"Let these words sink into your ears: The Son of Man is going to be betrayed into human hands." ⁴⁵ But they did not understand this saying; its meaning was concealed from them, so that they could not perceive it. And they were afraid to ask him about this saying.

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LUKE 9:21-27

LUKE 9:28-36

LUKE 9:37-45

CONVICTION...

- Is from God
- Leads to life
- Ends in joy
- Makes us want to change
- Leads to new identity in Christ
- Brings specific awareness of sin
- Looks to Jesus
- Is a blessing

CONDEMNATION...

- Is from Satan
- Leads to despair
- Ends in sorrow
- Makes us think we can't change
- Leads to old identity in sin
- Brings vague uncertainty about sin
- Looks to self
- Is a burden

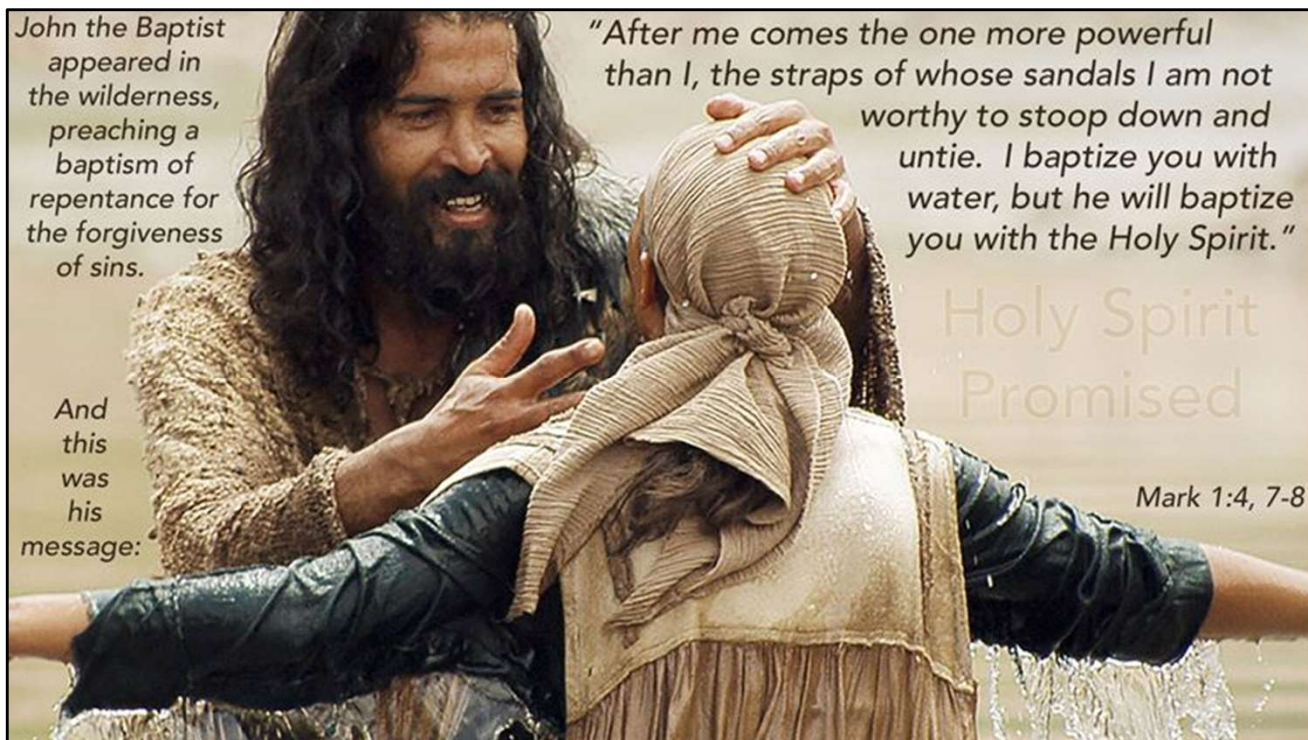
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of sins.

And
this
was
his
message:

"After me comes the one more powerful
than I, the straps of whose sandals I am not
worthy to stoop down and
untie. I baptize you with
water, but he will baptize
you with the Holy Spirit."

Holy Spirit
Promised

Mark 1:4, 7-8



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