

THE STORY  
Jesus' Ministry Begins  
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**THE BEGINNING OF JESUS' MINISTRY**

*This messenger was John the Baptist. He was in the wilderness and preached that people should be baptized to show that they had repented of their sins and turned to God to be forgiven.*  
Mark 1:4 NAS

**JESUS' BAPTISM**

*17 And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."*  
Matthew 3:15-17 NIV

Jesus' baptism marks the beginning of His ministry.

Immediately following the baptism Jesus goes into the wilderness to be tested.

**PREPARATION FOR MINISTRY**

*Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil...*  
Matthew 4:1-11 NIV

Satan will always tempt us at the point of our need.  
Jesus used the words of God right out of the scripture to rebuke Satan.

**THE MESSAGE OF JESUS**

**JESUS AND NICODEMUS**

*3 Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."*  
John 3:3 NIV

There is a spiritual side of life that is just as real as the wind.

**JESUS AND THE SMARITAN WOMAN**

*Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, 14 but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst..."*  
John 4:10, 13, 24 NIV

Jesus alone is the \_\_\_\_\_ that fills our void.

Jesus is not fazed by our \_\_\_\_\_.

**JESUS TEACHES WITH AUTHORITY**

*22 The people were amazed at his teaching...*  
Mark 1:21-22 NIV

Jesus is the logos, the answer to life, the Word, the Truth.

**THE MESSIAH?**

John 1:29, 1:39, 4:25-26; Mark 1:23-24; Matthew 16:18

*For God so loved the world **that** he gave his one and only Son, **that** whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.* John 3:16 NIV

Jesus is our Savior King!

Our lives should overflow into the exaltation of the Messiah.

Will you trust Jesus today and every day?