

"THE BAPTISM OF JESUS"

Matthew 3:13-17

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What does this passage have to do with us today?

What did this passage have to do with the original readers?

Jesus goes to John. (13-15)

Jesus is baptized by John. (13-15)

God supernaturally affirms Jesus. (16-17)

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What does this passage have to do with us today?

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Family Life Groups

The Baptism of Jesus

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1) 3:2, 15. repent. turn from self, turn to God.

Jesus is always with us, and He is always inviting us to a close walk with Him. Looking back on this past week, when and where in your week can you identify that you sensed Jesus was inviting you to a closer walk with Him?

2) 3:13 – 15. baptism. die to self, live resurrected new life to God.

Can you identify an activity that you could reduce/stop from your schedule, in order to have more time to walk closer to Jesus?

***“walk closer” - is not limited to personal devotion time, but also might include: helping with EBC’s AWANA ministry, After School ministry, Under the Bridge ministry, helping with the Global ministry.

3) 3:16, 17. God's Affirming Presence.

This passage does not only reveal God's approval of Jesus.

Through this passage God continues to reveal His heart for the nations and peoples of the world.

In the Gospel of Matthew, concerning God's heart for the nations of the world, how many direct references and indirect references, how many allusions can you find?