
Jesus Is Baptized

John the Baptist started preaching in the desert of Judea. He said, “Turn back to God! The kingdom of heaven will soon be here.” John was the one the prophet Isaiah was talking about, when he said, “In the desert someone is shouting, ‘Get the road ready for the Lord! Make a straight path for him.’ ”

John wore clothes made of camel’s hair. He had a leather strap around his waist and ate grasshoppers and wild honey.

From Jerusalem and all Judea and from the Jordan River Valley crowds of people went to John. They told how sorry they were for their sins, and he baptized them in the river.

Jesus left Galilee and went to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. But John kept objecting and said, “I ought to be baptized by you. Why have you come to me?”

Jesus answered, “For now this is how it should be, because we must do all that God wants us to do.” Then John agreed.

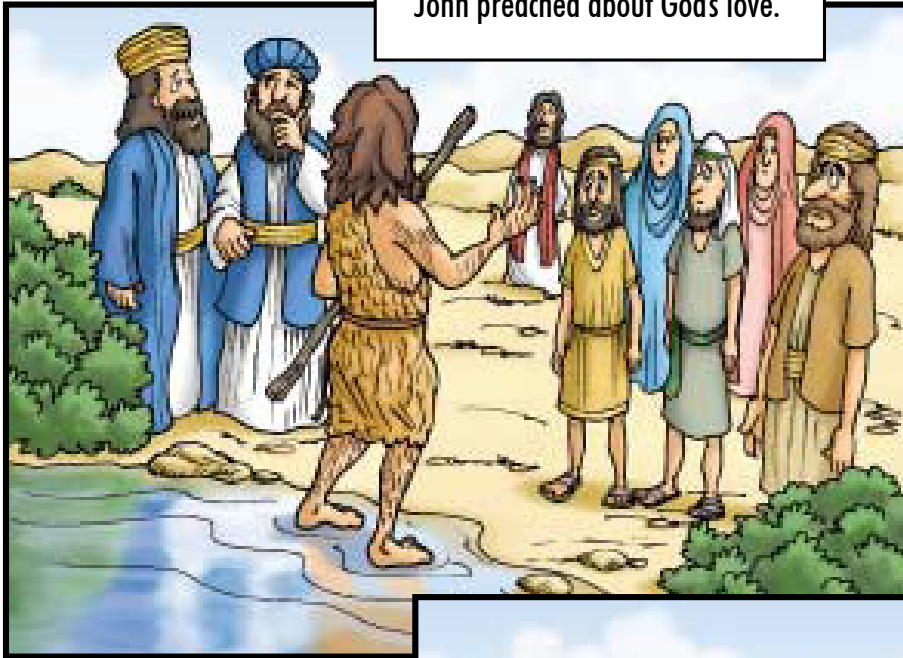
So Jesus was baptized. And as soon as he came out of the water, the sky opened, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down on him like a dove. Then a voice from heaven said, “This is my own dear Son, and I am pleased with him.”

Based on Matthew 3.1-6, 13-17

KEY VERSE Matthew 3.17

A voice from heaven said, "This is my own dear Son, and I am pleased with him."

John preached about God's love.



"Live the way God wants you to live."





John baptized those who were sorry for their sins.

"Jesus, I cannot baptize you."



"God wants me to be baptized."



So John baptized Jesus.



God said, "I am pleased with my Son."

