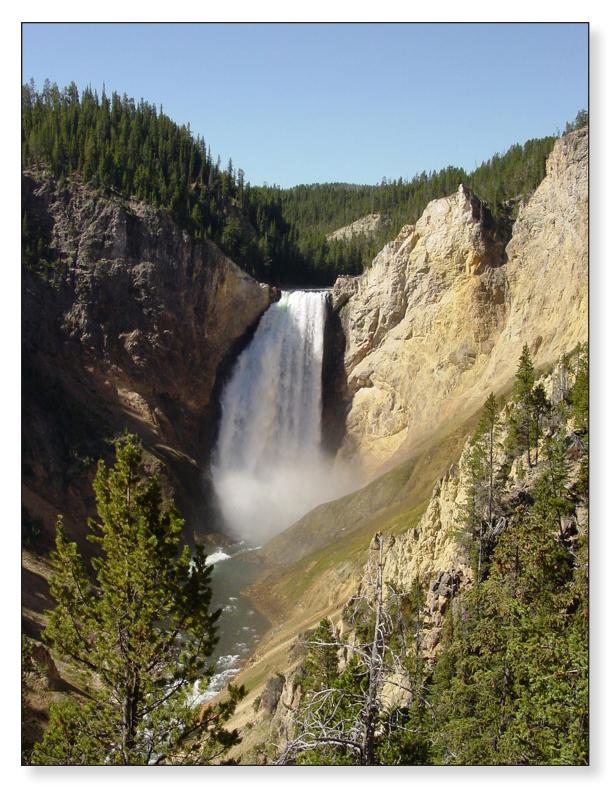
El Bautismo de Jesús



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Mateo 3:1-17 - El Bautismo de Jesús

En aquellos días se presentó Juan el Bautista predicando en el desierto de Judea, 2 y diciendo: «Arrepentíos, porque el reino de los cielos se ha acercado», 3 pues este es aquel de quien habló el profeta Isaías, cuando dijo: «Voz del que clama en el desierto: "¡Preparad el camino del Señor, enderezad sus sendas!"»

4 Juan estaba vestido de pelo de camello, tenía un cinto de cuero alrededor de su cintura, y su comida era langostas y miel silvestre. 5 Acudía a él Jerusalén, toda Judea y toda la provincia de alrededor del Jordán, 6 y eran bautizados por él en el Jordán, confesando sus pecados.

13 Entonces Jesús vino de Galilea al Jordán, donde estaba Juan, para ser bautizado por él. 14 Pero Juan se le oponía, diciendo:--Yo necesito ser bautizado por ti, ¿y tú acudes a mí?

15 Jesús le respondió:--Permítelo ahora, porque así conviene que cumplamos toda justicia.

Entonces se lo permitió. 16 Y Jesús, después que fue bautizado, subió enseguida del agua, y en ese momento los cielos le fueron abiertos, y vio al Espíritu de Dios que descendía como paloma y se posaba sobre él.

17 Y se oyó una voz de los cielos que decía:--Este es mi Hijo amado, en quien tengo complacencia.

Matthew 3:1-6,13-17 - Jesus Baptism

John Preaches Repentance

In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, 2 "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." 3 For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, "The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make His paths straight."

4 Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. 5 Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, 6 and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

Jesus Baptized by John

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" 15 But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus was baptized, immediately He went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on Him; 17 and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

A Closer Look: The Baptism of Jesus

- 1. Why did the Old Testament call John the Baptist "One crying in the wilderness"? (He preached in the desert telling all to repent.)
- 2. Who did John tell the people to get ready for? (The Lord, Jesus)
- **3.** Why did Jesus go to the Jordan river? (To be baptized by John)
- 4. Why did John say that Jesus should baptize him instead? (He knew Jesus was the promised Savior.)
- **5.** What did the people see after Jesus was baptized? (*The Holy Spirit came down like a dove.*)
- 6. What did the voice from Heaven say about Jesus? ("This is My Son, with whom I am well pleased.") Who spoke these words? (The Father)
- 7. Why was Jesus baptized? (To fulfill the Old Testament promises.)
- 8. The three persons of the Trinity were present at Jesus' baptism. Name them. (The Father, Jesus, the Son and the Holy Spirit)
- 9. How many times do you have to be baptized? (Once)
- **10. When do we remember our baptism?** (Each time we repent of our sins, we should remember our baptism. We should repent daily.)
- 11. Have you been baptized? What can you tell about that day?