

Introduction:

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I. IN THE WATERS OF THE JORDAN (vs. 9-11)

A. The Visit (vs. 9)

"In those days Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee ... "

"and was baptized by John in the Jordan." (Matthew 3:14-15; Luke 3:23)

Why was Jesus baptized?

- it inaugurated His public ministry
- It identified Him with sinful humanity

(3) it associated Him with John's ministry

B. The Vision (vs. 10)

"Immediately coming up out of the water ... "

"He saw the heavens opening, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him..." (Isaiah 64:1)

() it showed His dependence on the Holy Spirit

C. The Voice (vs. 11)

"and a voice came out of the heavens: 'You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."

Psalm 2:7; Isaiah 42:1

6 it revealed the triune God

() it demonstrated His approval by His Father

II. IN THE WILDERNESS OF JUDEA (vs. 12-13)

A. Impelled by the Spirit (vs. 12)

"Immediately the Spirit impelled Him to go out into the wilderness."

I John 3:8

B. Tempted by Satan (vs. 13a)

"And He was in the wilderness forty days being tempted by Satan ... "

Mark 8:32 (c.f. 8:11; 10:2; 12:15)

C. Ministered to by Angels (vs. 13b)

"and He was with the wild beasts" (Isaiah 11:6)

"and the angels were ministering to Him." (Hebrews 1:14)

Conclusion:

Food for Thought:

- 1) Why did Jesus need to be baptized?
- 2) Why does the Scripture, when speaking of baptism, always refer to "going down into" or "coming up out of" the water?
- 3) What was the relationship between the Son and the Spirit during His earthly ministry?
- 4) What was the ministry of the angels to Jesus while here on earth?