



Pastor Doug Wilson, BETHANY · A PLACE OF NEW BEGINNINGS  
January 29, 2023...BAPTISM SUNDAY!

## 1. JESUS' BAPTISM

MATTHEW 3:13-17 (TNIV)

<sup>13</sup>...Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. <sup>14</sup> But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, & do you come to me?"

<sup>15</sup> Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented. (NLTSE: *But Jesus said, "It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires."*)

<sup>16</sup> As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. <sup>17</sup> And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

<sup>4:1</sup> Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness...

### Jesus was...

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ : I want to be washed, Father! (MATTHEW 3:13-15; ISAIAH 53:4-6)
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ : Fill me with Your Spirit, Father! (MATTHEW 3:16)
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ : Thank you that I am Your Beloved Son, Father! (MATTHEW 3:17)
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ : I want to serve You and be led by Your Spirit, Father! (MT. 4:1)

## 2. OUR BAPTISM

ROMANS 6:3-4 (NLTse)

- <sup>3</sup> ...when we were **joined** with Christ Jesus **IN BAPTISM**, we **joined** him in his death...
- <sup>4</sup> For we died and were buried with Christ **BY BAPTISM**. And just as Christ was **raised from the dead** by the glorious power of the Father, **NOW WE ALSO MAY LIVE NEW LIVES.**

TITUS 3:4-6 (NLT)

- <sup>4</sup> When **GOD OUR SAVIOR** revealed his kindness and love,
- <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of **his mercy**.  
**HE WASHED AWAY OUR SINS**, and gave us a new life through the Holy Spirit.
- <sup>6</sup> He generously poured out the Spirit upon us because of what **JESUS CHRIST OUR SAVIOR** did.

### We are...

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ / **You washed away my sins, Father!** (TITUS 3:4-5; ROM. 6:3-4)  
\_\_\_\_\_ : **I am following Your Beloved Son who saved me, and share in Jesus' death, burial and resurrection!** (ROM. 6)
- b. \_\_\_\_\_ : **Fill me with Your Spirit,** (TITUS 3:5-6; EPH. 5:18; ACTS 1:4-5, 2:1, 4; 10:38)  
**so I may live a new life, Father!** (ROM. 6:4; TITUS 3:4)
- c. \_\_\_\_\_ : **I believe that I am Your Beloved Child;** (TITUS 3:4-5; ROM. 5:5)  
**help me experience Your kindness, love and mercy, Father!** (EPHESIANS 3:17-19, in the LIVING BIBLE)
- d. \_\_\_\_\_ : **I want to serve You and be led by Your Spirit, Father!**