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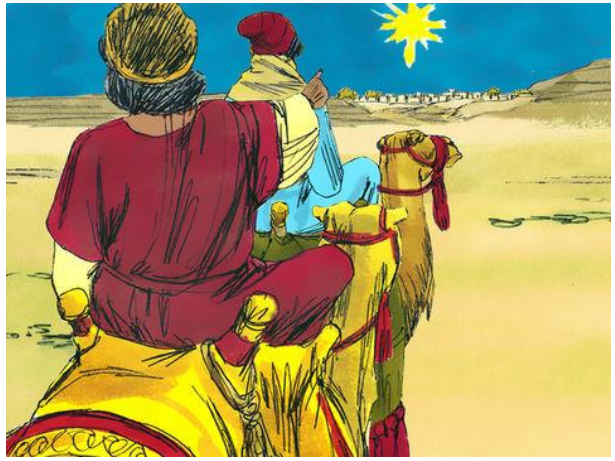
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Sunday

Simeon and Anna in the Temple

Bible Reading: Luke 2v21-39

1. Where did Mary and Joseph take Jesus to present Him to the Lord? (v22)
   Find it on the map
2. What did Mary bring to sacrifice? (v24)

Rich women brought a lamb. Poor women brought 2 turtledoves or 2 pigeons.

3. What kind of person was Simeon? (v25)
4. Who was upon him and leading him? (v25+27)

The Holy Spirit lives in Christians. He will guide them aright.

5. God had told Simeon that he would not die until what? (v26)
6. Christ was to be a "light to lighten the _____, and the glory of thy people _____" (v32)

God's salvation is for Jews and Gentiles.

7. When was Mary's soul pierced because of what was done to Christ? (v35 cp. John 19v25)
8. How did Anna serve God? (v37)

Prayer is talking to God.

9. Who did Anna thank? (v38)

MEANINGS:

Devout = godly;

Gentiles = people who are not Jews;

Marvelled = wondered;

Fastings = times when a person chooses to go without food



What ways that we can serve God if we are saved:

a) Praying / Chanting

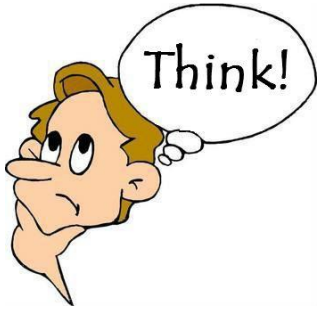
b) Overeating / Fasting

c) Praising God / Grumbling

d) Fighting / Being kind

e) Gossiping / Telling others

f) Good works / Bad talk



Simeon and Anna were waiting for the Promised Messiah (Christ). They were ready every day.

Are you ready and waiting for Christ coming back to earth? If not, get ready and ask God to help you live every day to please Him!

"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." (Isaiah 9v6)

Answers

1) Temple in Jerusalem; 2) 2 turtledoves or 2 pigeons; 3) Just and devout; 4) Holy Spirit; 5) He had seen the Lord's Christ; 6) Gentiles, Israel; 7) When Jesus was dying on the cross; 8) With fastings and prayers; 9) The Lord

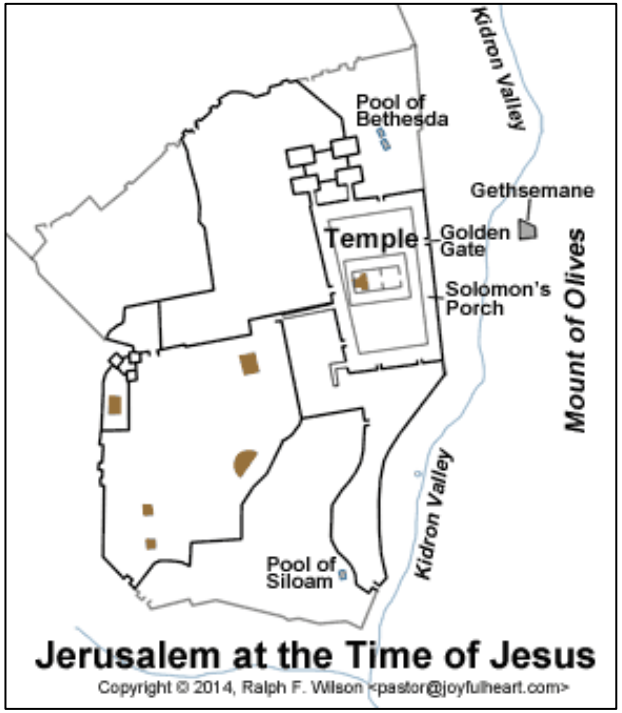
We can serve God by Praying, fasting, praising God, telling others, being kind, good works



Did you know?

God's law in the Old Testament for the Jews said that:

- Baby boys were to be circumcised when 8 days old
- Every firstborn son was to be given to the Lord (Exodus 13v2).
- On Day 40 – mother to go to the temple with sacrifices (Leviticus 12)



Monday

The Visit of the Wise Men

Bible Reading: Matthew 2v1-12

Other Reading: Micah 5v2

1. Where did the wise men come to seek for Christ? (v1) *Find it on the map*
2. What did the wise men call Jesus? (v2)

The wise men had travelled for 100's of miles. They probably worshipped other gods. But as they studied the stars, they knew a new king was born and they came to worship Him!

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3. Does the Bible say that there were 3 wise men?
4. Where did the prophet Micah say Jesus would be born? (v5-6) *Find it on the map*
5. What did the prophet call Jesus? (v6)
6. How did God guide the wise men? (v9)
7. Who did the wise men worship? (v11)

Jesus is God the Son. He is King of kings. God is the Only One we should worship.

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8. What did the wise men give to Jesus? (v11)

Frankincense is an expensive perfume used as incense. Myrrh is an expensive perfume and painkiller.

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9. Who stopped the wise men from going back to Herod?

MEANINGS:

Worship = honour and respect as God;

Governor = ruler;

Diligently = very carefully



What can we give to Jesus?

a) Money for [missionaries / magazines]

b) Time to [fight / help] others

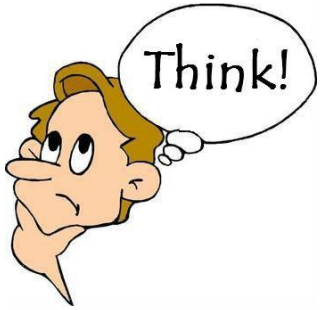
c) Worship Him [always / Sundays only]

d) Our [talents / leftovers]

Answers

1) Jerusalem; 2) King of the Jews; 3) No; 4) Bethlehem; 5) Governor; 6) By a star; 7) Jesus; 8) Gold, frankincense, myrrh; 9) God

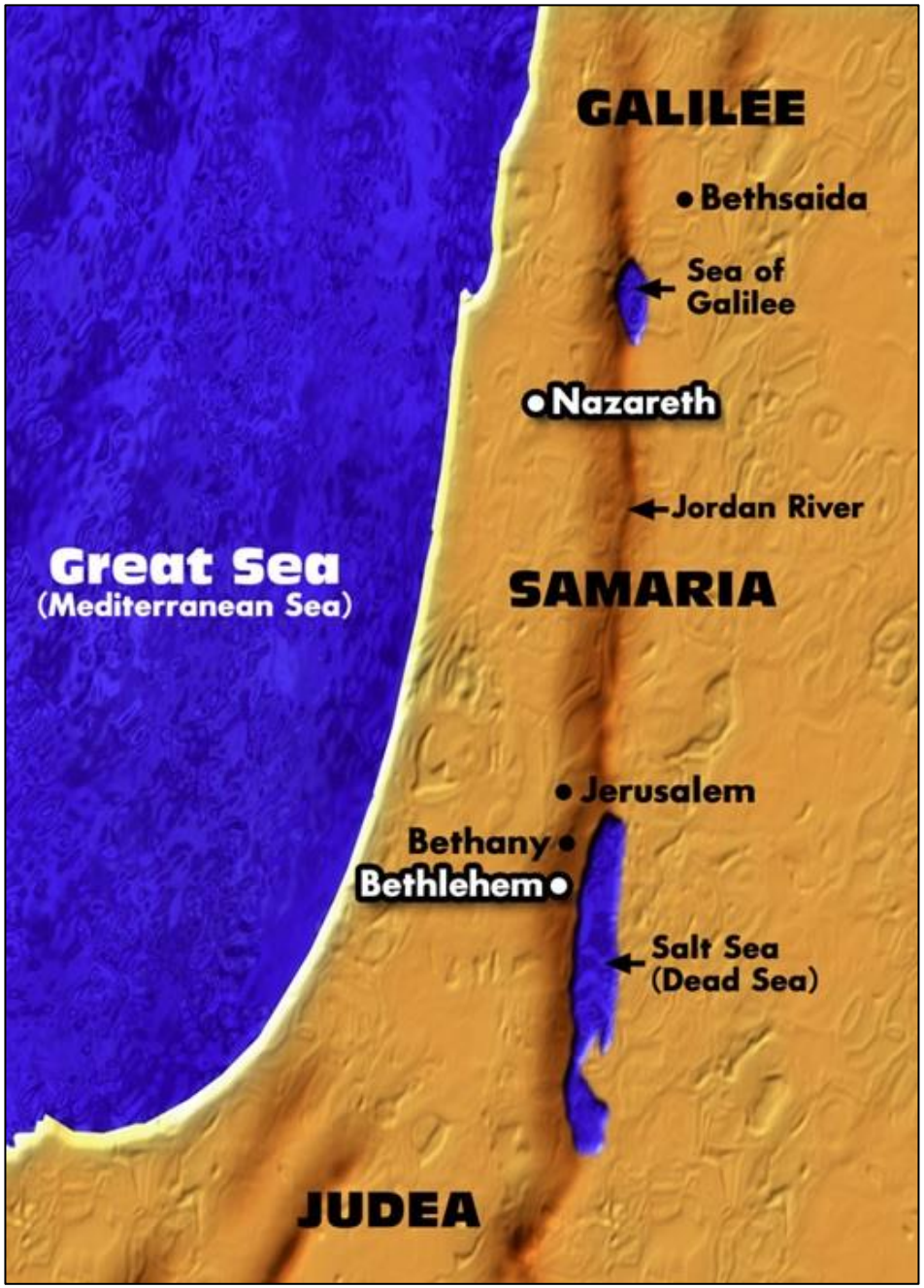
We can give Jesus: a) Money for missionaries; b) Time to help others; c) Worship Him always; d) Our talents



It cost the wise men a lot of time and money to come to Jesus. But they came and they bowed down before God the Son!

It might cost you to come to Christ. But have you ever bowed before Him and made Him King of your life?

"Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift."
(2 Corinthians 9v15)



Tuesday

Christ's stay in Egypt

Bible Reading: Matthew 2v13-23

1. What did Herod want to do with Jesus?
   a) Worship Him b) Kill Him
2. Why do you think Herod did not want another king alive?

***God knows everything**. He knew Herod planned to kill Jesus. BUT Jesus had not come to earth to be killed as an infant. He came to die on the cross!*

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3. Where did God tell Joseph to take Mary and Jesus? (v13)
   Find it on the map
4. How long were Joseph, Mary and Jesus to stay in Egypt? (v13)
5. What terrible thing did king Herod do? (v16)
6. How long was it since the wise men had first seen the star? (v16)

Jesus was not a baby in the manger at this stage. That's why Herod killed children that were 2 years old!

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7. What prophecy was fulfilled about Jesus and Egypt? (v15)
8. Why was Jesus called a Nazarene? (v23) *Find it on the map*

***God is Sovereign**. He rules over all. He has everything in His control.*

MEANINGS:

Exceeding wroth = very angry;

In the room of = instead of;



Which is correct?

a) I should worry when things do not go the way I want

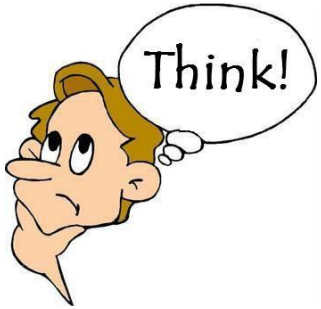
b) I should trust God to work things out His way

c) I should try to sort the problems out myself without God

Answers

1) Kill Him; 2) Another king might kill Herod and reign instead of him; 3) Egypt; 4) Until God told them to leave; 5) Killed all children 2 years and under; 6) 2 years; 7) Out of Egypt have I called my Son; 8) He lived in Nazareth

I should trust God to work things out His way

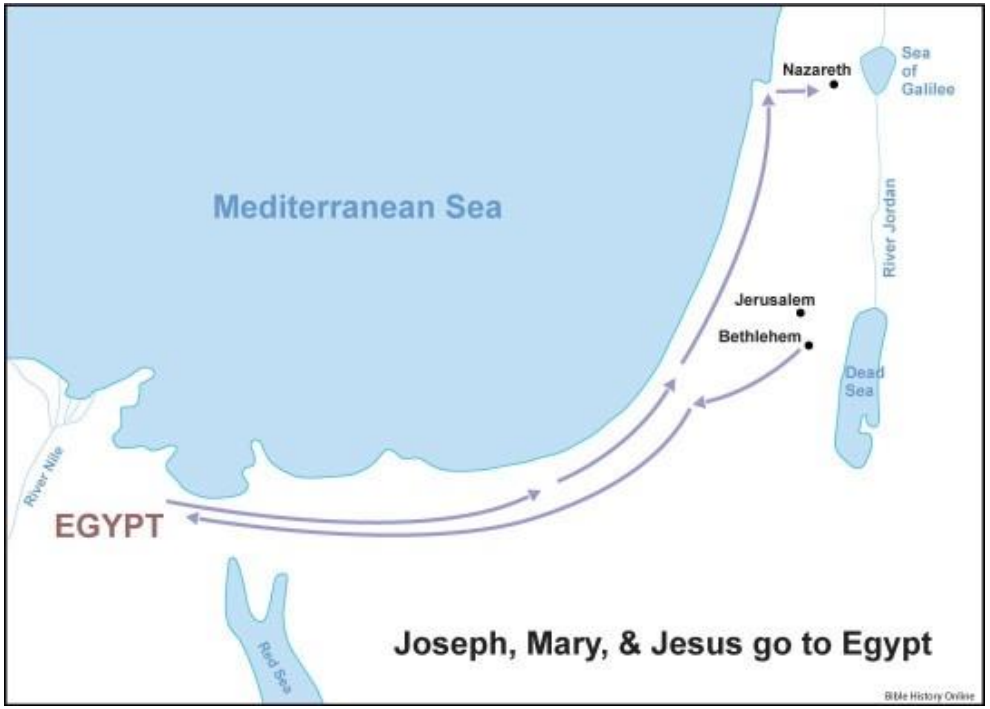


How evil Herod broke those poor mothers' hearts!

Our sin always hurts other people. Don't be a bully!

Care for people and try to help them.

"For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich." (2 Corinthians 8v9)



Wednesday

Jesus as a Boy of 12 years old

Bible Reading: Luke 2v40-52

1. What did the Jews remember at the feast of the Passover? (Exodus 12v12-14)
2. Where did they go to celebrate the Passover? (v41) *Find it on the map*
3. How was Jesus doing His Father's business? (v46)
4. Why did Jesus know so much? (cp. v47)
5. Where did Jesus go home? (v51) *Find it on the map*
6. What job did Joseph have? (Matthew 13v55)

Jesus probably learned how to help Joseph do carpentry. Joseph's special work for God was to care for Mary and Jesus. This is the last time we read of Joseph alive.

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7. Why do you think Jesus obeyed Joseph and Mary? (cp. v51)
8. Write out the 5th commandment. (Exodus 20v12)

"Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right." (Ephesians 6v1)

MEANINGS:

Kinsfolk = family relatives;

Acquaintance = friends, people they knew;

Doctors = teachers of God's law;

Astonished = surprised;

Wist ye not? = did you not know?

Was subject unto = obeyed



How can we honour our parents?

a) Be cheeky to them / respect them

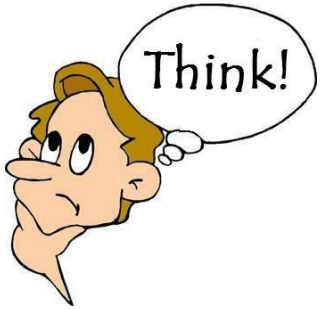
b) Obey them / disobey them

c) Help them / fight against them

d) Love them / hate them

e) Argue with them / ask their advice

f) Laugh at them / pray for them



God the Son kept the 5th commandment. So should we! If Mum says, 'Tidy your room,' do you do it? If she says 'Go to bed and sleep,' do you play PlayStation? When Dad says, 'No!' do you go behind his back to disobey him?

Answers

1) The time when the Israelites' firstborn were saved from death because the blood was on the doorposts; 2) Jerusalem; 3) He was talking about God's Word; 4) He is God the Son; 5) Nazareth; 6) Carpenter; 7) It is right to obey our parents;

We honour our parents when we: Respect them, obey them, help them, love them, ask their advice, pray for them

Thursday

John the Baptist Preaching

Bible Reading: Matthew 3v1-12

(cp. Mark 1v1-8; Luke 3v1-14)

Luke 3v1+2 tells us when John the Baptist started preaching. John the Baptist is NOT the same person as John the disciple of Jesus. It was the disciple John that wrote John's gospel. Don't get them mixed up!

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1. Where was John the Baptist preaching? (v1) *Find it on the map*
2. What did John the Baptist tell people to do? (v2)
3. What was John doing by preaching repentance to the people? (v3)
4. What did John the Baptist wear? (v4)
5. What did he eat? (v4)
6. Where did people come from? (v5) *Find these places on the map*
7. Who did John baptize? (v6)
8. Where did John baptize those who repented? (v6) *Find it on the map*
9. What did John call the Pharisees and Sadducees? (v7)

The Pharisees and Sadducees were Jewish religious leaders. Vipers are poisonous snakes. John could see that these Jewish leaders were not teaching the people true repentance.

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10. What did he tell people who repented to do? (Luke 3v11)
11. What did he tell tax collectors to do? (Luke 3v12+13)
12. What did he tell the soldiers to do? (Luke 3v14)

MEANINGS:

Leathern girdle = leather belt;

Confessing = admitting their wrong;

Vipers = snakes;

Meat = food;

Publican = tax collector;

Exact = collect tax money;

Remission = forgiveness



How can we 'bring forth fruits meet for repentance'? (v8)

a) Do things that show we are Christians

b) Do things that make us popular

c) Do things that show we are good gardeners

d) Do things to get money

Answers

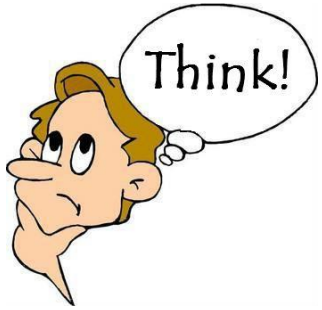
1) Wilderness in Judea; 2) Repent; 3) Preparing the way for the Lord; 4) Clothes made from camel's hair and a leather belt; 5) Locusts and wild honey; 6) Jerusalem, Judea and region around Jordan; 7) People who repented; 8) Jordan; 9) Vipers; 10) Christ; 11) Take no more money from the people than they were meant to; 12) Do violence to no man, or accuse anyone falsely, and be content with their wages

We bring forth fruits meet for repentance when we: Do things that show we are Christians



- ***We have all been born with sinful hearts*** *(Romans 3v23). That is why we all do bad things.*
- ***We all need to repent of our sins.*** *We need to tell God that we are really sorry for doing wrong. And we need to turn away from our sins.*
- ***We must repent of our sins if we want to be forgiven*** *and have our sins blotted out (Acts 3v19).*
- ***We get baptized to show that we have repented*** *(Luke 3v3).*





Do you like good fruit – apples, pears, oranges? Good fruit grows on good trees. Good trees do not bear bad fruit. If you are a Christian, you should be doing good things – not bad things!

"Bring forth therefore fruits meet for repentance."
(Matthew 3v8)

Friday

John prepares the way for Christ

Bible Reading: Luke 3v15-18; John 1v19-28

1. What were all the people wondering? (Luke 3v15)
2. What did John baptize with? (v16)
3. Who was the Mightier One coming after John the Baptist? (v16)
4. What would Christ baptize with? (v16)
5. Who did the Jews send to question Jesus? (John 1v19+24)
6. Where did they come from? (v19) *Find it on the map*
7. Who did John say he was NOT? (v20+21)

Christ is Messiah…the One God had promised to send. The Jews thought He was coming to rule as their king. They didn't seem to realise that He was coming to be the Saviour of the world.

They thought he might have been Elijah…the one promised to come before the Messiah (Malachi 4v5+6).

That Prophet is the one promised in Deuteronomy 18v15.

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8. Who did he say he was? (v23)

This is a quotation from Isaiah 40v3.

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9. Who was John the Baptist talking about in verse 27?
10. What did John feel unworthy to do? (v27)
11. Where was John baptizing? (v28) *Find it on the map*

MEANINGS:

Mused = thought about, wondered;

Latchet = leather strip to keep sandal on the foot;

Purge = clean



What cleanses us from all sin? (1John 1v7)

a) Baptism

b) Good works

c) Blood of Christ

d) The priest

Answers

1) If John was the Christ or not; 2) Water; 3) Christ; 4) The Holy Ghost and fire; 5) Priests, Levites and Pharisees; 6) Jerusalem; 7) The Christ, Elijah or that Prophet; 8) The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord; 9) Christ; 10) Untie the latchet of Jesus' shoe; 11) Bethabara

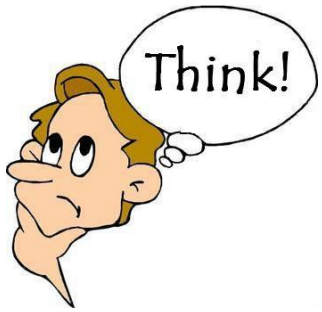
The Blood of Christ cleanses from all sin



The witness of John the Baptist

John the Baptist prepared the way for Christ the Messiah. Look at what he said about Christ:

1. ***Jesus is the Light of the world*** *(John 8v12). John the Baptist was sent from God. He was to bear witness of the Light (John 1v6-8)*
2. ***Christ is called the Word and is God*** *(John 1v1-3). John the Baptist knew Jesus was far more important than himself. That's why he felt so unworthy.*
3. ***The Word became flesh*** *(John 1v14). This means Jesus became Man and was born as a Baby. John the Baptist was born 6 months before Jesus BUT he knew Jesus was living before him. Jesus is God the Son, so He is eternal. He never had a beginning. That's why John the Baptist said that Jesus was before him (John 1v15+30).*
4. *He knew* ***Jesus is the Son of God*** *(John 1v33+34).*
5. ***Jesus is the Lamb of God*** *(John 1v29). John the Baptist knew it was Christ alone who could take away sins. That's why he pointed them to look to Christ.*



It was the job of servants to untie sandals and wash feet. John didn't even feel worthy enough to do that for Jesus.

Do you feel unworthy to do things for Jesus? Don't give up. Just keep humbly obeying Jesus.

"John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me." (John 1v15)


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Saturday

The Baptism of Christ

Bible Reading: Matthew 3v13-17; John 1v29-34

(cp. Mark 1v9-11; Luke 3v21-22)

1. Where did Jesus come from? (v13) *Find it on the map*
2. Where did Jesus come to? (v13) *Find it on the map*

John 1v28 tells us that John was baptizing at Bethabara. When a person is baptized, they are dipped under water for a moment and then raised up again.

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3. Why did Jesus come to John? (v13)
4. Was Jesus baptized to take away sin? (1 John 3v5)

John was only baptizing people who had repented of their sins. He knew that Jesus had no sin. Jesus showed here that He agreed with baptism. He has set us an example.

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5. What was Jesus doing when being baptized? (Luke 3v21)
6. Who descended like a dove upon Christ? (v16)
7. Who spoke from heaven? (v17)
8. What did God the Father say about Jesus? (v17)
9. What age was Jesus when He was baptized? (Luke 3v23)
10. What did John call Jesus? (John 1v29+34)
11. What does the Lamb of God take away? (v29)

MEANINGS:

Suffered = allowed;

Forbad = did not allow;

Fulfil all righteousness = do all the right things as God wanted;

Straightway = immediately;

Spirit of God = Holy Spirit;

Lighting upon = come down on



How can we point others to the Lamb of God?

a) Tell them to keep the commandments

b) Tell them to take Holy Communion

c) Tell them Christ died to take away their sins

d) Tell them to go to church

e) Tell them to get baptized

Answers

1) Galilee; 2) Jordan; 3) To be baptized; 4) No; 5) Praying; 6) Holy Spirit; 7) God the Father; 8) This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; 9) About 30 years old; 10) Lamb of God, the Son of God; 11) The sin of the world

Tell them Christ died to take away their sins



Jesus is the Lamb of God

The Jews knew that every morning and evening a lamb was brought to the temple. It had to be perfect – not sick or have anything wrong with it. It had to be killed. Its blood poured out. It was sacrificed because of the people's sin.

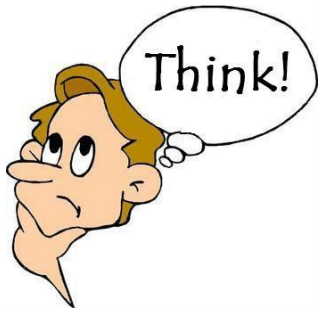
This was a picture of what Christ came to do for us. He is the perfect Sinless Lamb of God. He shed His blood on the cross at Calvary to take away our sins.

"Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." (John 1v29)



God is a Trinity. The 3 Persons in God are the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. God the Father spoke from heaven. God the Son was being baptized. God the Holy Ghost came down upon Him.

"And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin." (1 John 3v5)



A person must truly repent before being baptized. Baptism shows to other people that we have turned from our sins to live for God. It does not make a baby ready for heaven!

Old English words

Afar	Far away
Ass	Donkey
Aught	Anything at all
Befallen	Happened to
Dealt	Done
Dost, Doest	Do
Draw nigh	Come near
Fetch	Go and get
Gat	Get, got
Hence	From this place
Hereby	By this
Heretofore	Before now
Hindmost	Last
Hither	Here
Hitherto	Up until now
Howbeit	However, nevertheless
Inasmuch	Since
Midst	Middle
Mixt	Mixed
Nigh	Near
Notwithstanding	Nevertheless, in spite of this
Peradventure	Perhaps
Plow	Plough
Straightway	Immediately
Selfsame	That same
Shew	Show
Thereon	On that
Therewith	With that
Thither	To there
Thou	You *(singular)*
Thou art	You are
Thrust out	Cast out
Uttermost	Farthest
Whence	From where
Wherefore	Why
Wherewith	With which
Whilst	While
Whither	To where
Whomsoever	Whoever
Wilt	Will
Wit, wot, wist	Know
Withholden	Held back
Wont to do	In the habit of doing
Wrought	Done, made

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