

The Baptism And Temptation Of Jesus

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MARK 1: 9-15

Intro. [A] John came with a purpose.

[1. Not many people know God's purpose so far ahead of maturity...

[a. He was to be a messenger.

[b. He was to prepare Christ's way.

[c. He was to be a voice.

[2] John had a message.

[a. He preached in the desert.

[b. He preached in a prophet's clothing.

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[c. He preached Repentance.

[d. He exalted Jesus.

[3. John immersed those who Repented.

[1. They confessed their sins.

[2. He immersed them in water.

I. The Baptism of Jesus.

[A] Jesus came to John for baptism.

[1. John was sent by God.

Vs. 9 [2. John baptized Jesus in Jordan river.

[B] Jesus was revealed at His baptism.

[1. John had been told by God to watch for certain manifestations. John 1:33

[2. "And straightway coming up out of the water...

εὐθὺς = "immediately", of time, "straight", "forthwith".

[3. "he saw the heavens opened". = οὐρανὸς = "to split, to rend, to divide with violence, prop. of wood."

C. The Specifics of His temptation.

1. Matt. 4: 1-11
- vs. 2-4 | 2. He tempted Him with hunger.
- vs. 5-7 | 3. He tempted Him in regard to God's care.
- vs. 8-11 | 4. He tempted Him in regard to God's plan of worship and Kingdom reign.

III. After These two Events, Jesus Began His Earthly Ministry.

A. Jesus began to preach.

vs. 14 | 1. "preaching" = κηρύσσω = "to be a herald" "to make public announcements." This does not mean to teach.

| 2. "gospel" = "the good message"

| 3. It is the good news of God's Kingdom

B. The specific message.

vs. 15 | 1. It is not His death, burial, and Resurrection.

| 2. "The time is fulfilled..." "The time is ripe", "the time has finally come".

| 3. "and the kingdom of God is at hand..."
The Reign of God is near. That is, God would establish a Theocracy.

| 4. "... Repent ye and believe the gospel."

| 5. "Repent" = μετανοεω =

| 6. "believe" = πιστεῖν = to rely upon, to trust, Trust the truths of God.