

The Baptism and Temptation of Jesus

Mark 1:9-14

Context - John the Baptist baptizes Jesus and then Jesus faces his temptation with Satan.

Main Idea - Jesus was Baptized and resisted temptation to fulfill righteousness.

As you observe the baptism and temptation of Jesus...

1. _____ the meaning of Jesus baptism (vs. 9)

A. Since John's baptism was a baptism of repentance, the baptism of the sinless Jesus has puzzled Christians throughout the ages.

B. Jesus was baptized to:

i. Fulfill all righteousness (Matthew 3:15).

ii. Signal the inauguration of his mission.

iii. Model what it means to be obedient to God.

2. _____ the involvement of the Trinity (vs. 10-11)

A. All three members of the Trinity are on full display in this passage.

B. This passage is "a strong proof against the heresy of modalism, which suggests that God is one Person who manifests Himself in 3 distinct modes, one at a time." (John MacArthur)

3. _____ the reality of Satan (vs. 12-13)

A. The Bible tells us that Jesus was tempted in all ways just like we are, yet he was completely without sin. (Hebrews 4:15)

B. All believers are tempted by Satan, yet God promises to provide a way out of temptation (1 Corinthians 10:13)