



# EPIPHANY: Jesus' Baptism

The term "epiphany" comes from a Greek word that means "appearance" or "manifestation" and refers to God's manifestation to his people.

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# MATTHEW 3:13–17

Then **Jesus** came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. But John tried to stop him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you come to me?”

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WHAT IS EPIPHANY?

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Jesus answered him, “Allow it for now, because this is the way for us to fulfill all righteousness.”

Then John allowed him to be baptized.

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When Jesus was baptized, he went up immediately from the water. The heavens suddenly opened for him, and he saw **the Spirit of God** descending like a dove and coming down on him.

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And **a voice from heaven** said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased.”

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# BAPTISM OF JESUS

*Baptism, rather, makes a statement about righteousness. We repent and are baptized for righteousness. Jesus is inherently righteous.*

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# THE HOLY SPIRIT

*There is a difference between the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.*

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# THE TRINITY

*All things are [1] of the Father, [2] through the Son, and [3] by the Spirit.*

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WHERE DO WE SEE THE TRINITY AT PLAY IN JESUS'S BAPTISM?

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# OUR BAPTISM

*Baptism isn't something you do; it's something God does to you.*

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HOW IS OUR BAPTISM LIKE Jesus's baptism?

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# MATTHEW 28:19

...make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

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