

## John's Message: The Messiah's Coming

Luke 03: 15–17

### *John preached the Messiah's coming*

1. The Messiah's person

15 The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Christ.

2. The Messiah's baptism

16 John answered them all,  
"I baptize you with water.  
But one more powerful than I will come,  
the thongs of whose sandals  
I am not worthy to untie.  
He will baptize you  
with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

3. The Messiah's judgments

17 His winnowing fork is in his hand  
to clear his threshing floor  
and to gather the wheat into his barn,  
but he will burn up the chaff  
with unquenchable fire."

## The Baptism of Jesus: Obedience and God's Approval

Luke 03: 21–22

(Mt.3:13-17; Mk. 1:9-11; Jn. 1:29-34)

### **1** *Jesus' obedience*

- a. Obedient along with the people
- b. Obedient in prayer

21 When all the people were being baptized.  
Jesus was baptized too.  
And as he was praying,  
heaven was opened

### **2** *God's signs of approval*

- a. The heavens were opened
- b. The Spirit descended
- c. The voice of God spoke

22 And the Holy Spirit descended on him  
in bodily form  
like a dove.  
And a voice came from heaven:  
"You are my Son,  
whom I love;  
with you I am well pleased."