

John's Public Ministry—Concerning the Christ (Spring 29)

Matthew 3:11–12	Mark 1:7–8	Luke 3:15–18
<p>11 I baptize you with water for repentance, but the one who comes after me is more powerful than I <i>am</i>, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry.</p> <p>He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.</p> <p>12 His winnowing shovel <i>is</i> in his hand, and he will clean out his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the storehouse, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." [Isa 66:24]</p>	<p>7a And he was preaching, saying, 8a I baptized you with water,</p> <p>7b "One <i>who is</i> more powerful than I is coming after me, of whom I am not worthy to bend down <i>and</i> untie the strap of his sandals. 8b but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."</p>	<p>15 And <i>while</i> the people were waiting expectantly and all were pondering in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he might be the Christ, 16 John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but the one who is more powerful than I <i>am</i> is coming, of whom I am not worthy to untie the strap of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 His winnowing shovel <i>is</i> in his hand, to clean out his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his storehouse, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." 18 So with many other exhortations also he proclaimed good news to the people.</p>

John's Public Ministry—Jesus' Baptism (Summer 29)

Matthew 3:13–17	Mark 1:9–11	Luke 3:21–23a
<p>13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John in order to be baptized by him.</p> <p>14 But John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"</p> <p>15 But Jesus answered <i>and</i> said to him, "Permit <i>it</i> now, for in this way it is right for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he permitted him.</p> <p>16 Now <i>after he</i> was baptized, Jesus immediately went up from the water, and behold, the heavens opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove coming upon him.</p>	<p>9 And it happened that in those days Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized in the Jordan by John.</p> <p>10 And immediately <i>as he</i> was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens being split apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him.</p>	<p>21 Now it happened that when all the people were baptized, Jesus also was baptized, and <i>while he</i> was praying, heaven was opened, 22 and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove,</p>

17 And behold, <i>there was</i> a voice from heaven saying, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”	11 And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”	and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.” 23a And Jesus, <i>when he began his ministry</i> , was himself about thirty years old,
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