

# Jesus is baptized

**Matthew 3:13–17; Mark 1:9–11; Luke 3:21–22;  
John 1:29–34**

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Many people heard about John the Baptist. They came to the Jordan River to find out what was happening. They heard John preach. They confessed their sins and were baptized by John in the river.

People talked about John's clothes, woven from camel hair. They talked about the desert foods he ate, locusts and wild honey. Most important, they talked about John's words.

John had told them something new was happening. "The one who is more powerful than I am is coming. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

Jesus came to the Jordan to be baptized by John. John said, "You should not be coming to me; I am the one who needs to be baptized by you."

But Jesus said, "No, it is right for you to baptize me now."

So John agreed, and he baptized Jesus in the river.

As Jesus came up out of the water, he saw the heavens open. The Holy Spirit descended like a dove and rested on him, and a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."