

The Heavens Were Opened

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Matthew 3:13-17

- I. John's Objection (13-15)
 - A. Recognizing the Coming One (see Matthew 3:11-12)
 - B. John's baptism was "of repentance"

- II. Why Did Jesus Receive Baptism?
 - A. More than repentance: covenant obedience (see 1 Peter 3:20-21; 1 Corinthians 10:1-2; Psalm 66:5-6, 12)
 - B. "Your will be done" (see Matthew 26:39)

- III. The Baptism of Jesus (16-17)
 - A. The heavens opened (see Genesis 7:11; Isaiah 24:18; Deuteronomy 28:12; Psalm 78:23; Malachi 3:10; Ezekiel 1:1; Isaiah 64:1-2)
 - B. The Spirit's descent like a dove (see Isaiah 40:1; 61:1)
 - C. My beloved son (see Exodus 4:22-23; Hosea 11:1; 2 Samuel 7:12-16; 1 Chronicles 22:9-10; Psalm 2:7-9)