

# Lessons From The Baptism Of Jesus

(Matthew 3:1-17)

- Introduction:
1. There are a medley of truths taught in the account of Jesus' baptism.
  2. It is our desire in this lesson to note and examine several of these lessons.

## **I. The Kingdom Has Already Come**

- A. (Matthew 3:1-6).
- B. (Daniel 2:44).
- C. (1 Corinthians 15:24-26).

## **II. True Israel Is Not Physical Israel**

- A.. (Matthew 3:7-10).
- B. (John 10:16).
- C. (Romans 2:28-29).

## **III. People Often Ask For Things They Do Not Really Want**

- A. (Matthew 3:11-12).
- B. He was speaking to a mixed audience.
  1. Some were believers (3:5-6).
  2. Some were the Pharisees and Sadducees (3:7).
- C. (Revelation 20:15).

## **IV. The Purpose Of Jesus' Baptism**

- A. (Matthew 3:13-17).
- B. (Luke 3:12).
- C. Jesus' baptism was an exception to the rule and was not for the ordinary purpose.
- D. His baptism gave validity to John and his teaching.

- Conclusion:
1. The baptism of John: Was it from heaven or men (Matthew 21:25)?
  2. The baptism of Christ: Was it from heaven or men?
  3. If it is from heaven, should you not submit yourself in obedience to it?