



Week 2 - Matthew 3:17 (NIV)

“And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”

As our story begins, Jesus is grown up and ready to start His work on Earth. His cousin John the Baptist is baptizing people by the Jordan River. John is telling everyone that the Messiah will come to baptize them with the Holy Spirit.

And one day, there he is- Jesus!

Jesus is walking into the Jordan River and asking John to baptize him in the water of the Jordan. John is nervous. He believes that Jesus should baptize him instead. But Jesus insists that John needs to baptize Jesus.

As Jesus is being baptized, God sends signs to show that Jesus is His Son. A dove of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God, comes down from Heaven to Jesus. A voice speaks, saying “This is my son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”

Now the word will begin to spread that the Messiah has come.

After his baptism, the spirit led Jesus into the Wilderness. Jesus fasted and prayed for 40 days. Even when the devil tempted him, Jesus proved that he was ready to start the job of God on Earth.

Jesus would show men and women and boys and girls how to share the Spirit of God.

We will hear more about that in our next stories.

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