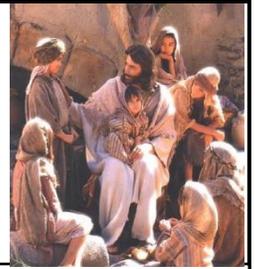


Jesus, Messiah

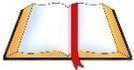
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Week 2: February 21-27, 2021

Baptism of Jesus

Matthew 3:13-17



Opening God's Word

Read Matthew 3:13-17 as a family.

Questions for Discussion:

- Jesus's cousin John called people to repentance to get ready for the Messiah who was coming soon. He baptized people in the Jordan River which is why he was known as John the Baptist. If you want you can read more about him in the beginning of Matthew 3. What does John say when Jesus wants to be baptized? (vs. 14)
- Why do you think John reacted to Jesus's request like this?
- John was surprised by God's plan but he obeyed anyway. Ask an adult to share a time when God's plans worked out differently than they expected.
- What does Jesus tell John? (vs. 15)
- What happens when Jesus is baptized? (vs. 16)
- Can you point out the three persons of the Trinity in this passage?
- In what form does the Holy Spirit come? What does He do?
- What does God say about Jesus? (vs. 17)
- Can you imagine what it might have been like to see and hear this? What did this show about Jesus?



Prayer

Take some time to pray as a family. Thank God for sending Jesus to make a way so that we could be forgiven for our sins. Ask Him to help you to be open to his surprises and His plans for your life. Continue praying however you feel led.



Family Challenge

As we mentioned earlier John was surprised by God's plan, but he obeyed. This week, invite God to surprise you. Pray for divine appointments and assignments. In other words, ask Him to bring you people who need to hear about Jesus or be served by you on His behalf. Be willing to change your plans to meet God's.



Week 2 Extra Activities

Jesus' Baptism Match Game

ids. Cut out the cards along the black lines. Mix up the cards and lay them out face down in 16 squares match, remove them from the table. This counts as one set. If you make a match it, turn them back over and let the next person try. The person with the most sets wins!



Play Jesus's Baptism Match Game. Go here for printables and instructions:

<https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/jesus-baptism-match-game/>



Do the motions with City Kids and sing along with with Chris Tomlin *Jesus, Son of God*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jh4bc3ZxHRI>



Make this Holy Spirit Dove Craft. Go here for instructions:

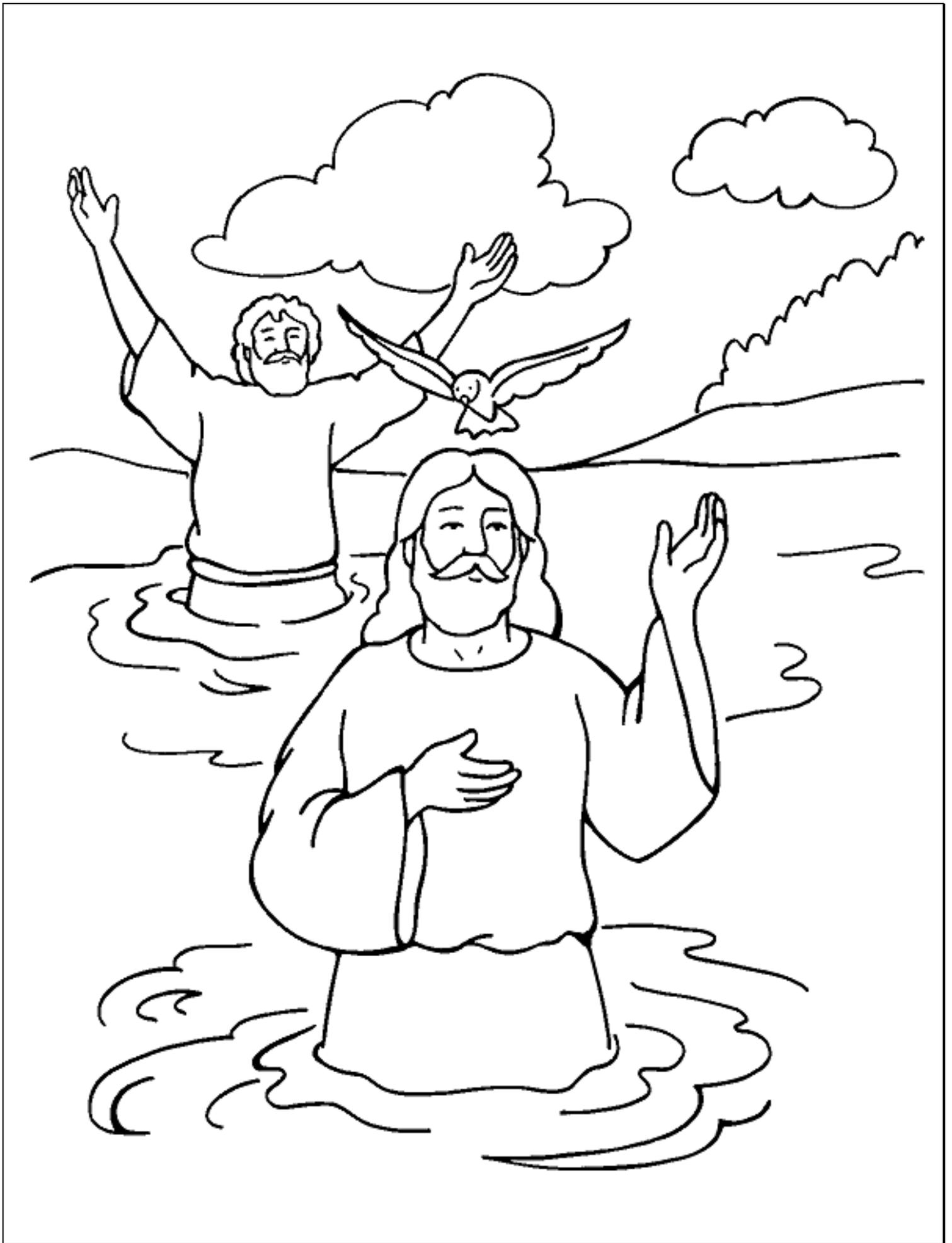
<https://www.catholicicing.com/holy-spirit-craft-make-a-dove-from-a-paper-plate/>



Memorize this month's Key Verse: *"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16*



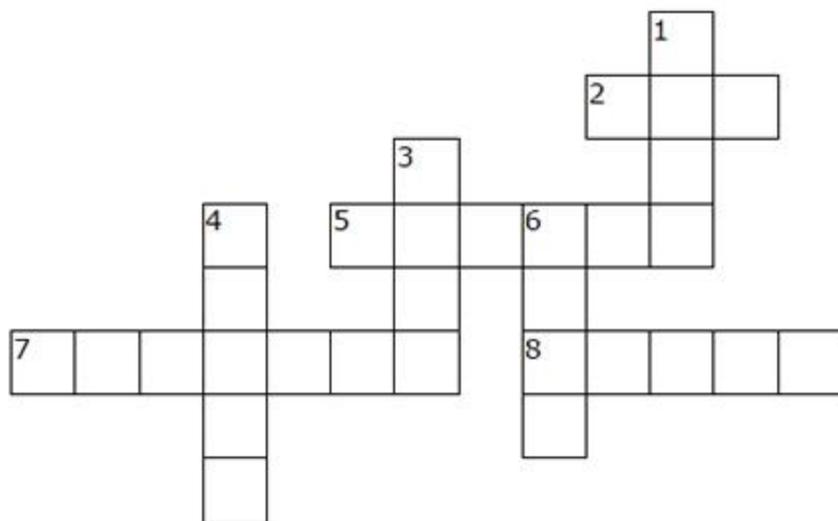
You can also complete the coloring pages, crossword puzzle and word search that are attached.



The Baptism of Jesus

And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 3:13-17



ACROSS

2. A male offspring
5. The river where Jesus was baptized
7. To cover briefly completely in water or pour water over a person's head
8. The sound produced by vibration of the human vocal cords

DOWN

1. The name of the man who baptized Jesus
3. A deep feeling of affection for a person
4. Clear, colorless, odorless, tasteless liquid; H₂O
6. A bird often used as a symbol of peace

VOICE
SON

LOVE
DOVE

WATER
BAPTIZE

JORDAN
JOHN

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