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¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. 14 But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"

¹⁵ Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is

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Matthew 3:13-17

proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

¹⁶ As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened,

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and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."



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⁹ At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.

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Mark 1:9-11

¹¹ And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."



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²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened 22 and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: "You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:21-22

32 Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. 33 And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me,

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John 1:32-34

'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' 34 I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."

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John 1:32-34

humility and a desire to be with us





²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too.



Luke 3:21a



⁴ And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.



Mark 1:4



humility and a desire for repentance





- 1. Where do you see Jesus this time of year?
- 2. How frequently should you confess sins?
- 3. How can Christmas traditions encourage humility and repentance?

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