

Jesus Takes His Office

Mark 1:9-13

Jesus became a man. He was fully God and fully man, which allows Him to identify with our sufferings and be able to come along side us and aid us in our fight against sin.

He endured every temptation that you and I have been tempted with, but he did not fail in anything. Therefore, we can rely on His strength during our trials.

An Affirmation from God

Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist, despite being sinless, not to be forgiven, but to fulfill the will of God His father.

When we are baptized, it is a public proclamation of our recognition of Jesus as sovereign King of all the universe and our willingness to follow Him in totality.

God affirms Jesus as the Christ. Immediately after His baptism the heavens are torn open and the spirit of God descends upon Him, and God the Father Himself declares that Jesus is His beloved son. This was a proof to the people and an affirmation from God as to the deity of Christ.

Jesus performed His miracles through the power of the Holy Spirit. He is a man and is God. As a man, like we are, He was dependent upon the spirit to do God's work, the model that we would go on to follow. Jesus said that when He departed, He would send the spirit to His disciples to empower them to do the will of God.

You are not the reason why God saves you; Jesus is. You are not the reason why God loves you; Jesus is. You fail God every day, but Jesus never did. God loves you and there is nothing that can take that away from you.

An Assault from Satan

