

## **Faith Filled Righteous Living**

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**Matthew 3:13-17**, “Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan coming to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup> But John tried to prevent Him, saying, “I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?” <sup>15</sup> But Jesus answering said to him, “*Permit it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.*” Then John permitted Him. <sup>16</sup> After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, <sup>17</sup> and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased.”

### **Three Connections to Baptism:**

#### **1. Jesus’ Baptism Fulfilled All Righteousness and Our Baptism is Righteousness**

**Fulfill:** to fulfill God’s desire

**Righteousness:** moral conduct in accord with God’s will

#### **2. Through Baptism One Receives the Holy Spirit**

**Acts 2:38**, “Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.”

#### **3. Through Baptism One is Well Pleasing to the Father**

**2 Corinthians 5:17**, “If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.”

**Matthew 4:1-4**, “Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry. <sup>3</sup> And the tempter came and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread.” <sup>4</sup> But He answered and said, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.’”

**Psalm 119:11; 15**, “Your word I have treasured in my heart, that I may not sin against You. I will meditate on Your precepts and regard Your ways.”

**Matthew 4:5-7**, “Then the devil took Jesus into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, <sup>6</sup> and said to Him, “If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will command His angels concerning You’; and ‘On their hands they will bear You up, so that You will not strike Your foot against a stone.’” <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to him, “On the other hand, it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

**2 Corinthians 5:6-7**, “Being always of good courage...<sup>7</sup> we walk by faith, not by sight.”

**Matthew 4:8-11**, “Again, the devil took Jesus to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; <sup>9</sup> and he said to Him, “All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup> Then Jesus said to him, “Go, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.’” <sup>11</sup> Then the devil left Him; and behold, angels came and began to minister to Him.”

**Hebrews 5:8**, “Although Jesus was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered.”