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The Glory Of Baptism

Matthew 3:13 - *Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John.*

Isaiah 40:3 - *Listen! It's the voice of someone shouting, "Clear the way through the wilderness for the LORD! Make a straight highway through the wasteland for our God!"*

Through His Baptism, Jesus Identifies With Us

Matthew 3:13-15 - *Then Jesus went from Galilee to the Jordan River to be baptized by John. ¹⁴ But John tried to talk him out of it. "I am the one who needs to be baptized by you," he said, "so why are you coming to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus said, "It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires." So John agreed to baptize him.*

"I'll Take It, And I'll Forgive It."

There Should Be Evidence Of A Changed Mind And A Changed Life

It's A Public Declaration Of Their Faith In Jesus' Death And Resurrection

Luke 12:50 - *I have a terrible baptism of suffering ahead of me, and I am under a heavy burden until it is accomplished.*

Matthew 3:16-17 - *After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy."*

Luke 4:18-19 - *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free.*

2 Corinthians 5:21 - *For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.*