

Recap

Jesus is the Messiah

- **The Son of Abraham** – Mt 1.1-17
- **The Son of David** – Mt 1.1-24, 2.1-12
- **The New Moses** – Mt 2.13-18
- **The True/Faithful Son of God** – Mt 2.19-23; 4.1-11
- **Rejected/Despised** – Mt 2.19-23
- **One for whom John the Baptist prepared the way** – Mt 3.1-17

MATTHEW



BAPTISM OF JESUS- TRUE SON OF GOD

- **Son** – submits to plan of the Father
 - It is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness - we need to do this in order to be obedient to the Father's will for us/to do all the Father requires of us
- **Spirit** – anoints Jesus for the role/work of the Messiah
- **Father** – affirms Jesus
 - **My Beloved Son** – see Ex 4.22
 - **Well pleased** – to take delight in/find satisfaction in

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MOUNT OF TEMPTATION



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TEMPTATION OF JESUS

- **Stones into bread** – use His power to meet His needs apart from Father
 - Us - tempted to use our gifts, strengths, talents to meet our needs
- **Jump from Temple** – manipulate Father; force Father's hand
 - Us - tempted to bargain with God or to use our spirituality to try to get Him to do what we want
- **Worship Satan** – abandon Father's plan; Jesus is promised the nations (Ps 2.8), Satan says Jesus can have His inheritance without the Cross
 - Us - tempted to abandon trust in the Father and His ways

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TEMPTATION OF JESUS- TRUE SON OF GOD

Tempt – to lure/entice into disobedience; work of the devil

Jesus stood firm where Adam fell

- **Satan appeals to need/desire** - Good for food/stones into bread
- **Satan twists God's word** - Did God really say.../Throw Yourself down for it is written...
- **Satan undermines trust in Father** - You won't surely die; you will be like God/All of these kingdoms will be Yours if You bow down and worship me

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TEMPTATION OF JESUS – TRUE SON OF GOD

Test – to determine quality and authenticity of a person's faith; work of God

Jesus trusted Father where Israel didn't

- **Grumble** – to express resentment, dissatisfaction, anger, and complaint; it is an open act of rebellion against the Lord, a stubborn refusal to trust Him
 - **Manna** – Ex 16; stones into bread
 - **Massah** – Ex 17; jump from Temple
- **Golden Calf** – Ex 32; worship Satan

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TAKE AWAYS

From Jesus' baptism

- **Identity rooted in relationship with the Father** – wear many hats, but most fundamental truth is 'child of God'
- **Identity precedes activity** – do what we do out of who we are not vice versa

From Jesus' temptation – Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. (Jam 4.7)

- **Submit to God** – align ourselves with God
- **Resist the devil** – take a stand against his lies

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