Matthew 3

1. What have you learned or applied to your life from the previous lesson's Lecture, Commentary Notes, or Pointers for Parents?

Please read Matthew 3:1-6

- 2. Please write down what each of these characters said and did according to the passage:
 - a) John the Baptist
 - b) Isaiah
 - c) People from Judea
- 3. How does Luke 1:16-17 add to our understanding of the mission of John?

Please read Matthew 3:7-12

- 4. What was John's strong message to the religious leaders? What was his requirement for those who came to be baptized?
- 5. How did John compare himself to Jesus? What was the distinction between his baptism and the work of Christ?

Please read Matthew 3:13-17

- 6.a) Why did John refuse to baptize Jesus at first and what was Jesus' reply?
 - b) Read John 3:30. What lesson can you learn from John the Baptist's humility?
- 7.a) Something supernatural occurred at Jesus' baptism; how did the Spirit testify for Jesus?
 - b) What was the significance of this to John the Baptist? (John 1:32-34)
- 8.a) What did God the Father say about Jesus at His baptism?
 - b) What do you think it would do for your heart to know God thought this about you?
- 9. How do these Old Testament verses refer to Jesus, and what is meaningful to you?
 - a) Psalm 2:7
 - b) Isaiah 42:1
- 10. In this lesson, has anything caused you to know Jesus more as the Messiah?

Suggested Memory Verse:

"Produce fruit in keeping with repentance." Matthew 3:8