



Luke 3:15-23

I. A baptism in repentance (vv. 15-16)

- Baptism means to be _____ in something.
- Baptism _____ proper interpretation of the doctrine of repentance for forgiveness of sins.
- Baptism is an _____, not an _____ of grace.

II. A baptism in the Holy Spirit (vv. 16-17)

- Baptism in the Spirit is unrelated to our _____ and does not result in receiving _____ of the Holy Spirit.
- Baptism in the Spirit is an _____ for Christ's mission. (Acts 1:1-8)
- A _____ reminds us Christ's mission. (Acts 1:8)
- A prayer language _____ our spirit. (1 Cor. 14:4-5, 15)
- A prayer language allows the Holy Spirit to _____ our prayers. (Rom. 8:26)

III. A baptism in fire (vv. 17-20)

- Prophecy goes wrong when _____ becomes the focus.
- Unconditional _____ is not unconditional _____.
- Baptism in the Spirit keeps us on _____ of God's love and hope that rescues.

IV. A baptism in Christian discipleship (vv. 21-23)

- Baptism into Jesus demonstrates that we understand he _____ for us so we can _____ with him.
- Baptism into Jesus demonstrates we have been made _____ by his death on the cross.
- Christian baptism is _____ relationship to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (Mt. 28:18-20)



Exploring the Word – Luke 3:15-23

1. Read Luke 3:15-16. How does Jesus baptize in the Holy Spirit (refer to Acts 2:1-4) and what is the purpose of this baptism? Which of the four categories – unaware, unsure, unstable, and usual – best fits you regarding baptism in the Holy Spirit? What is the difference between the baptism in the Holy Spirit and being indwelt by the Holy Spirit?
2. Read Luke 3:17-20. What does baptism in fire refer to? Why did John warn the crowds yet not focus on the warnings and how does this correlate with the nature of prophecy?
3. Read Luke 3:21-23. What is the difference between John's baptism and baptism into Christian discipleship (refer to Matthew 28:18-20)? How do these verses demonstrate the unity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?
4. Did anything else stand out to you from the sermon that you have questions about in this passage of Scripture?