

Discussion Questions - 3/27/22

The Baptism of Jesus (Matthew 3:13-17)

Here are three basic questions you can always ask in any bible study:

- What does this text teach us about God?
- What does this text teach us about ourselves?
- If this text is true, what should we do to obey this teaching? This answer ought to be specific, in that it can be clearly measured.

Here are some specific questions about this text:

- Why was Jesus baptized?
- When we say that Jesus identified Himself with sinners in His baptism, what are we saying about Jesus? What are we saying about ourselves?
- When God the Father says that He is well-pleased with His Son, what does this mean?
- In our baptism, we are identifying with the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus. Since God is well-pleased with Jesus, what does this mean for us when we identify with Christ by faith?
- What does the reality of the Spirit at Jesus's baptism mean for Jesus? What might it mean for those of us who follow Jesus?