

CARE This Week...

January 11, 2026

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Jesus' Baptism & Temptation

This week's lesson is about Matthew 3:1-17, 4:1-11; Luke 3:1-22, 4:1-15

Jesus went from Galilee to the River Jordan to be baptized by John. When John saw Jesus, he didn't want to baptize Him. 'This isn't proper,' he said. 'I am the one who needs to be baptized by you.' But Jesus insisted, 'Please do it, for I must do all that is right.' So John baptized Jesus. As soon as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened and he saw the Spirit of God coming down in the form of a dove. A voice from heaven said, 'This is my beloved Son, and I am wonderfully pleased with Him.' John told people, 'When God sent me to baptize, he told me, "When you see the Holy Spirit descending and resting upon someone—He is the one you are looking for. He is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit." I saw it happen to Jesus, and I testify that He is the Son of God.'

"It was not a display of repentance, but instead it was a righteous identification with sinners, motivated by love, and was well pleasing to the Father."

Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. After fasting for forty days and forty nights, He was hungry.

"After identifying with sinners in His baptism, Jesus then identified with them again in severe temptation."

The tempter came to Him and said, 'If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread.' Jesus answered, 'It is written: "Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."' Then the devil took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the highest point of the temple. 'If you are the Son of God,' he said, 'throw yourself down. For it is written: "He will command His angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone."' Jesus answered him, 'It is also written: "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' The devil took Jesus to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. 'All this I will give you,' he said, 'if you will bow down and worship me.' Jesus said to him, 'Away from me, Satan! For it is written: "Worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only."' Then the devil left Jesus and angels came and attended Him.

Jesus won! "He won because he recognized Satan's mode of attack: lies and deception. Jesus showed the only effective counter to deception: God's truth, not man's wisdom."

Bible Verse: I have treasured your word in my heart so that I may not sin against you.

Psalm 119:11

Life Application: I will know and use God's Word to resist temptation.

SATURDAY ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

Our Saturday Zoom Bible study resumed this past Saturday. It was great being back together again after the holiday break!

Our lesson was over 'Jesus' Baptism & Temptation.'



UPCOMING EVENTS:

SUNDAY, Jan. 18

**CARE Celebrates ALL
Jan/Feb Birthdays**

9:30 AM

SATURDAY, Feb. 28

CARE Game Night

6:00 – 8:30 PM

CARE Game Night – January 10, 2026

We had a terrific FUN evening last Saturday at our Game Night! What a terrific group!!
Special thanks to the volunteers who made the evening run so smoothly!

