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*Inauguration of the Messiah*  
*Mark 1:9–13*  
*October 6, 2013*

Introduction

I. Why is Jesus baptized? Mark 1:9

II. Three divine signs attached to Jesus' baptism. Mark 1:10–11

A. The heavens are torn apart. Isaiah 64:1

B. The Holy Spirit descends on Jesus.

C. God the Father testifies that Jesus is His Son. Isaiah 42:1; Psalm 2:7

III. Tempted in a wilderness. Mark 1:12–13; Hebrews 4:15

Conclusion

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