John Baptizes Jesus

Matthew 3:13-17

John the Baptist preached in the wilderness. He wore clothes made from camel's hair and wore a leather belt. He ate wild honey and locusts.

People came out to the wilderness to hear John preach. John told them that they should repent. That means to turn away from their sins and follow God. John baptized people in the Jordan River as symbol of their repenting.

John told the people that there was someone coming after him who was greater than him. John said that he wasn't worthy of carrying the shoes of the one who was coming. He said he was baptizing them with water, but the one who was coming would baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Do you know who John was talking about? He was talking about Jesus. John called Jesus the Lamb of God which takes away the sin of the world.

One day when John was baptizing in the Jordan River, He saw Jesus coming to be baptized. John didn't want to baptize Jesus. He told Jesus, "I have need to be baptized by You."

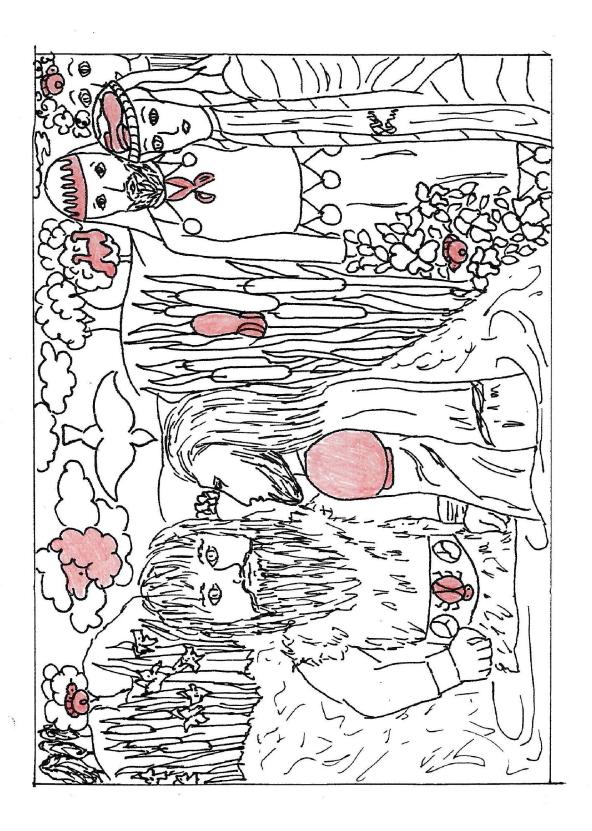
Jesus told John to baptize Him, and he did. As soon as Jesus came up out of the water the heavens opened. The Spirit of God descended like a dove and rested upon Jesus. Then there came a voice from heaven saying, "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased."

People are still baptized today when they put their trust in Jesus. It is an outward expression of changing on the inside.

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