



Sermon Notes
Ready for the Messiah
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Matthew 3:1-17

vv. 1-4 The M_____.
Two Aspects of His Preaching: v.2
Message: R_____.
Motive: For the K_____ has come near.

Who is John?
The H_____. Malachi 4:5–6
Like Elijah, _____ Elijah.
Much prophecy has an “_____, *but not yet*”
facet. Isaiah 40:3-4

vv. 5-12 The Reception.
What was the Response to his message?
The P_____. vv. 5-6
The P_____ and S_____. vv. 7-10

Matt. 16:6

John's Reaction to the Pharisees and Sadducees:

John's words to those religious leaders
was both a R_____ and an I_____.

How did JTB Baptize? v. 11a
With W_____.
For R_____.

To whom was John Pointing? v. 11b-12
J_____.

How was Jesus going to Baptize?
H_____ S_____.
F_____.

Malachi 3:1–2

vv. 13-17 The Fulfillment.
John's H_____. vv. 13-14
Jesus's L_____. v. 15
The Revelation of the T_____. vv. 16-17

8 Straightforward Statements About the Trinity:

- There is one God. (Deut. 6:4)
- The Father is God. (John 6:27)
- The Son is God. (John 1:1)
- The Spirit is God. (Acts 5:3–4)
- The Son is not the Father. (John 20:17)
- The Son is not the Spirit. (John 14:16)
- The Spirit is not the Father. (John 14:26)
- There is one God, not three. (1 Cor. 8:6)

APPLICATION: MATTHEW 3:1–17
Responding to the Strong Proclamation

So, which group do you find yourself in today?

R_____? Find a R_____.

R_____? Find a Way H_____.

R_____? Find Path of D_____.
(Connect, Grow, Serve)