

Chapter 11: The Baptism

1. What was it about Jesus that made John certain that the Man asking for baptism was the Messiah?
2. Read [Matthew 3:13-17](#). What are some reasons why Jesus desired baptism?
3. Jesus' prayer on the riverbank included several requests. What were these requests? Consider the reasons that Jesus may have had for each request.
4. "The glory that rested upon Christ . . . tells us of the power of prayer—how the human voice may reach the ear of God, and our petitions find acceptance in the courts of heaven." How would you apply this statement in your own prayer life?

Review:

1. Did John the Baptist take people at their word when they confessed their sins? (Page 105)
2. How did John the Baptist react to people who thought he might be the messiah? (Page 108)

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3. How did Jesus compare with everyone else who came to be baptized?" (Page 110)
4. Why was Jesus baptized? (Page 111)
5. What does the following statement mean? (Page 112) **".... Direct from the throne issue the beams of His glory. The heavens are opened, and upon the Saviour's head descends a dovelike form of purest light,--fit emblem of Him, the meek and lowly One. Of the vast throng at the Jordan, few except John discerned the heavenly vision. Yet the solemnity of the divine Presence rested upon the assembly."**
6. What did John call Jesus? (John 1:29, Page 112)
7. How did the people regard the sacrificial offerings? (Page 113)
8. Personal views:
 - A. List a favorite section from the reading.
 - B. List some new thought from this reading.