

The Wonder of It All

The Wonder of His Baptism

(Matthew 3.11-17)

A Pledge of Allegiance to God

1. _____ are often used to demonstrate a new loyalty

2. In His baptism, Jesus was conforming to God's _____ in every way

3. In it, we also pledge to put God _____
 - 1) Though awesome, this commitment is quite _____

 - 2) There are many important reasons to be baptized, including simply because He _____

A _____ of Transition in Life

1. With His baptism, Jesus was inaugurating His _____

2. Our baptism is a benchmark of _____ for us, too
 - 1) _____ change

2) _____ change

A Demonstration of Humble _____

1. Jesus didn't come to _____ but to serve

2. Our baptism is a releasing of our pride and an embracing of _____
 - 1) An excessive concern for sophistication is a barrier to our _____ with God

 - 2) To become a Christian, it is required that you admit that you cannot _____ yourself

 - 3) If you see baptism as beneath your dignity, you're saying that you are more _____ than Jesus

3. We all have a deeper love and _____ for people who are humble servants

Additional Scriptures cited: Acts 2.38; 22.16; 1 Peter 3.21; Matthew 28.19; Luke 2.52; 3.23; John 1.29; 2 Corinthians 5.17; 1 Timothy 2.9; Romans 6.1-6; Galatians 3.27; 1 Peter 5.5; James 4.10; Proverbs 16.18; Matthew 18.3; 20.25-27