



<sup>1</sup>*In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar . . .* <sup>2</sup>*. . . the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.* <sup>3</sup>*He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.*  Luke 3:1-3

I. Repentance is an ongoing \_\_\_\_\_ for the Christian.

True repentance is . . .

- More than confessing your sin. I John 1:9
- Not just feeling \_\_\_\_\_. “worldly sorrow”  
Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death.  
II Corinthians 7:10
- Not \_\_\_\_\_ repentance.
- Turning your \_\_\_\_\_ on sin and your face toward God.  
<sup>10</sup> “What should we do then?” the crowd asked. Luke 3:10

II. Christian baptism is a command, a profession of faith and a \_\_\_\_\_ of the work of Christ.

<sup>15</sup> *The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah.* <sup>16</sup> *John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”*  Luke 3:15-16

<sup>19</sup> *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,* <sup>20</sup>*and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*  Matthew 28:19-20

III. Jesus is both fully God and fully \_\_\_\_\_.

<sup>21</sup> *When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened* <sup>22</sup> *and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”*  Luke 3:21-22

<sup>23</sup> *Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry. He was the son, so it was thought, of Joseph, the son of Heli . . .*  Luke 3:23

#### Next steps for today’s message:

- ☐ Read Luke Chapter 4 in the Biography of Jesus this week.
- ☐ Pray for Gloria Sloan, missionary catalyst to Central America.
- ☐ Ask God to convict you of sin in your life and practice biblical repentance.
- ☐ Check the box on the connection card if you would like to be contacted regarding HomeGroups, which begin February 3.