

John's baptism

Mark 1

July 2, 2017 Begin our 2nd reading of the NT for the year.
We begin with Mark.

"Behold, I send
My messenger
ahead of You,
Who will
prepare Your
way;
(Malachi)

The voice of one
crying in the
wilderness,
Make ready the
way of the Lord,
Make His paths
straight.'
(Isaiah)

Mark's quote – a compound and attributes it to Isaiah, the 'larger' written prophet...

John the Baptist

- A Man 'sent from God – John 1:6
- Message – a message from God
 “the word of God came to
 John” Luke 3:2

Our Foundation:

Preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins – Mark 1:4

Our Foundation:

John's baptism

- A baptism
- In water
- For the forgiveness of sins
- Accompanied by repentance!
 - Matt. 3:5-9

Baptism of repentance for the remission of sins – Mark 1:4; Luke 3:3;

A baptism that required repentance as a 'prerequisite' –

Note John's response to the Pharisees... Matt. 3:5-9

For the remission of sins – sins had separated, this God's word about reconciliation.

TWO responses

Our Foundation:

²⁹ When all the people and the tax collectors heard *this*, ***they acknowledged God's justice***, having been baptized with the baptism of John.

Our Foundation:

³⁰ But the Pharisees and
the lawyers ***rejected God's
purpose for themselves,***
not having been baptized
by John.

Our Foundation:

Jesus' challenge to the Pharisees Mark 11:27-32

Our Foundation:

“John’s baptism, was it
from heaven or from
men? ANSWER ME.”

They *began* reasoning
among themselves,
saying, "If we say, 'From
heaven,' He will say,
'Then why did you not
believe him?'

- John was God's messenger
- John's message was God's message
- John's baptism was 'God's baptism'

To reject – is to reject GOD

Commission of Jesus

- make disciples, baptizing them...
 - Matt. 28:18-19
- included repentance –
 - Luke 24:44-46
- promised salvation –
 - Mark 16:15-16

In Acts 10:47-48

- Baptism in water
- Baptism in the name of Jesus
- Baptism COMMANDED

In Acts 2:38

- Baptism in name of Jesus
- Accompanied by Repentance
- For remission of sins

Response?

- As many as received the word were baptized... vs. 41
- *MANY religious people rejected the word, rejected baptism, rejected Jesus*



