

Sermon Notes December 10, 2023

Mark 1: 1-8

“He Will Baptize You With the Holy Spirit”

1. **In the Beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God**

The process of God’s Word takes time.

Messenger of God sent ahead

Malachi 3:1 from the Scroll of Isaiah; *Isaiah 40:3*

2. **All Judea and Jerusalem go out to the wilderness for the Baptism of Repentance for the Forgiveness of Sins**

The decision as a people, not just individuals.

Malachi 4:5 A people cleansed and restored.

3. **Baptism with the Holy Spirit**

“Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?” Apostles’ Creed

Gift of Jesus Christ (and Father)

Spirit and spirit; Breath and Wind

Is Human life possible without the Holy Spirit?

Immanuel Isn’t God already with us?

Baptism with the Holy Spirit and the Filling of the Holy Spirit

One-time special encounter or gift; On-going daily reception.

Special manifestations and the Fruit of the Spirit

Those specially gifted and trained; All who trust in Christ.

Special occasions; Daily life.

John’s baptism and Christian baptism with water in repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

Have we been baptized as a congregation by Christ with the Holy Spirit?

John 20:22, Acts 2:4 Disciples ; Acts 8: 14-16 Samaria; 10:44 Gentiles; Acts 19:5 Ephesus