

Baptized

(Phase 2-Resurrection LIFE!)

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We love you. Yes, you

Who are we
looking for?

Bibliography

Including last week's

Partial list, New Testament only

- Matthew 3:11-17, Chapters 4 thru 7, 21:1-11, 28:19-20
- Mark Chapters 1 and 16, 11:1-11. Luke 19:28-40
- John Chapter 3, 12:12-18, 17:15-16
- Acts 2:38-41, 8:12, Chapter 16, 22:16
- Romans Chapter 6, esp. vv.4-16
- Ephesians 2:1-10
- 2nd Corinthians Chapter 4, esp. v.4
- James Chapter 1, esp. v.27
- Hebrews Chapter 10, esp. v.23
- 1st Peter 3:21
- 1st John Chapter 2, 5:19





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Matthew 3:11b-12

John The Baptist speaking

ESV. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12 His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

TPT. He will submerge you into union with the Spirit of Holiness and with a raging fire! 12 He comes with a winnowing fork in his hands and comes to his threshing floor to sift what is worthless from what is pure. And he is ready to sweep out his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his granary, but the straw he will burn up with a fire that can't be extinguished!”

Matthew 3:11b-12

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MSG. The real action comes next: The main character in this drama—compared to him I'm a mere stagehand—will ignite the kingdom life within you, a fire within you, the Holy Spirit within you, changing you from the inside out. He's going to clean house—make a clean sweep of your lives. He'll place everything true in its proper place before God; everything false he'll put out with the trash to be burned."

"Who are you looking for?" ~ Jesus (John 18:4)

- I am the Living God, the bread of LIFE (John 6:35, 48, 51)
- I am Light to the world, and those who embrace me will experience LIFE-giving light, and they will never walk in the darkness (John 8:12)
- I am the Gateway (John 10:9, 7)
- I am the Good Shepherd (John 10:11, 14)
- I am the Resurrection and I am LIFE eternal (John 11:25)
- I am the Way, I am the Truth, and I am the LIFE (John 14:6)
- I am the true sprouting vine (John 15:1,5)

Table Time

Discuss these questions

1. Why do we put hope in the persons and systems of this world? IOW, where does that come from? How does it happen?
2. How challenging would it be to abandon all that? IOW, walk away, and let Jesus be literal boss of everything?
3. What could doing that cost you? List some possible downsides