

ROGUE MESSIAH

Getting to Know Jesus & Love Him

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Jesus Goes Public

Matthew 3:13-17

Introduction: Remember all those PSA ads in the '80's? Baptism as practiced by John and Jesus served the same purpose before TV!

3 PSA's Embedded in Jesus's Baptism

- **PSA #1:** "Hey, Israel! I'm the one you've been WAITING for!" (3:13-15)

⇒ **Key Word:** HOPE

- **PSA #2:** "Hey, Father! I'm READY to do your will!"

⇒ **Key Word:** SURRENDER

- **PSA #3:** "Hey, Jesus! You are my heart's DELIGHT!" (3:16-17)

⇒ **Key Word:** AFFIRMATION

Conclusion: Jesus' baptism was chock-full of meaning, both for the people of His generation and for ours, as well. Are you ready to go public and follow in His footsteps?

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Debrief Plan: 1/19/2020

Icebreakers:

1. What was the first TV show that you remember loving as a kid? Do you still love it or have you soured on it?
2. When you picture Jesus in your mind's eye, what does He look like? What is He doing?

Sermon Summary: Jesus was baptized as a PSA to announce to His people that He was the One in whom they could hope and to announce to his Father that He was "ALL IN" to do His will, no matter what it cost. God took advantage of the opportunity to announce to Jesus that He was also "ALL IN," and to reassure Him that He was His Father's delight.

Discussion Questions:

***PSA #1:** Hey Israel! I'm the one you've been waiting for!

1. Is there a difference between putting your hope in Jesus for your eternal salvation and putting your hope in Jesus for your day-to-day deliverance? If so, what is it? Is one better than the other?
2. How can we tell that we have put our hope in something other than Jesus? Can other people see it, and if so, how?
3. Jesus often uses other things and people to "come through" for us and provide for our needs (like friends, parents, finances)– how can we appreciate those methods Jesus uses without putting our hopes in them to save us?

***PSA #2:** Hey Father! I'm ready to do Your will!

4. Do you often think of "the Father's Will" as big things (like choosing a career or picking a spouse or getting involved in a ministry), or as small things (like loving your spouse, training your kids, and reaching your neighbors)? Why?
5. Why are we so prone to negotiate with God instead of surrendering to Him?
6. What does it look like to be "ALL IN"? Give some examples.

***PSA #3:** Hey Jesus! You are my heart's delight!

7. What does it look like to actually do something WITH God's strength, with His help? How is that different from me just working hard to do it myself?
8. Make a list of things that God has told us in His Word about WHO WE ARE as His children. Has God ever showed you one of those in a meaningful time in your life? If so, share the story with your group!
9. What common insecurities do we carry around with us? What should we do with them and how should we handle them in light of the message today?