

HOLY SPIRIT AND FIRE

Luke 3:15-38

Key verse 16

Discussion questions

- Describe the transition John's ministry and Jesus' ministry?
- How does Jesus' baptism show what Jesus' ministry will be like?

Inductions study questions:

1. Who were the people hoping John would be? How did John reply? (15) What distinction does John make about the Messiah? (16) How are John's baptism and Jesus's baptism similar yet different? How is verse 17 related to the baptism of the Holy Spirit and fire? In what way is this good news? (18)
2. Why did John rebuke Herod? (19) How could he take this risk? (20) How can we be fearless in serving the ministry?
3. Why did Jesus come to be baptised? (Mt 3:15) How was his baptism different in meaning from that of other people? What happened when Jesus was baptised? (21b-22) Why was God pleased with Jesus?
4. Think about the differences between Luke's record and Matthew's record of Jesus' genealogy. Why does Luke go all the way back to Adam?