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2. Jesus was baptized to show He was the \_\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_\_\_. (Mark 1:10) "Messiah" means A\_\_\_\_\_. O\_\_\_\_. Jesus was a \_\_\_\_\_ with the H\_\_\_\_\_ S\_\_\_\_\_.
3. Jesus was baptized to show He was S\_\_\_ of G\_\_\_ (2nd Person of the T\_\_\_\_\_) in Mark 1:11.

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3. We are e\_\_\_\_\_ by the H\_\_\_\_\_ S\_\_\_\_\_ to m\_\_\_\_\_. (1 Cor 12:13, 27-28)

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