



## Today's Message

Date: February 23, 2020  
Speaker: Pastor Steven Thomas  
Title: ***Jesus, The Anointed Christ***  
Text: Luke 3:21–22 (ESV)

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Introduction: In today's sermon text, the public ministry of Jesus began. In two brief verses, we find the Triune God working in perfect harmony to launch the mission of Jesus Christ.

**Today's take-home truth: The mission of Jesus is the work of the Triune God.**

### **I. Jesus, Messiah, stepped into public view. 21**

- A. He was righteous man.
  - 1. Jesus confirmed the message of John.
  - 2. Jesus identified with the repentant.
- B. He was godly man.

### **II. The Holy Spirit anointed Jesus as Messiah. 22a**

- A. The Spirit's anointing was Messianic.

B. The Spirit's anointing was empowering.

**III. God the Father introduced Jesus as Messiah. 22b**

A. The Father announced Jesus' identity.

B. The Father declared his unique love for Jesus.