

WHO IS THIS MAN?

THE STARTING BLOCK

Mark 1:9-11 Jeff Schreve

And it came about in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Mark 1:9

What do we learn from the starting point of Jesus' ministry?

1. Baptism is really important.

A. It comes with sacrifice.

B. It comes with purpose.

But Jesus answering said to him, "Permit it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he permitted Him. Matthew 3:15

C. It comes with meaning.

2. God exists in Trinity.

And immediately coming up out of the water, He saw the heavens opening, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon Him; and a voice came out of the heavens: "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well-pleased."

Mark 1:10-11

* God is one in three.

3. The blessing of the Father is critical.

A. It is a statement of affection.

B. It is a statement of identity.

C. It is a statement of unmerited favor and support.

D. It is a strong reminder to you and me.

What is the Father saying to you?