

“As long as I am in the world,
I am the light of the world.”
– John 9:5



Introduction

- King of the Jews
 - “Where is He who has been born King of the Jews? For we have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him.” (Matt. 2:2)
- King of the whole world

Weeks of Tubah

Fleeing to Egypt

A Jewish woman blessed the
Lord and the one who bore Him

Ministry of John the Baptist

Born Blind



Types of Baptisms in Scripture

1. Baptism of Moses

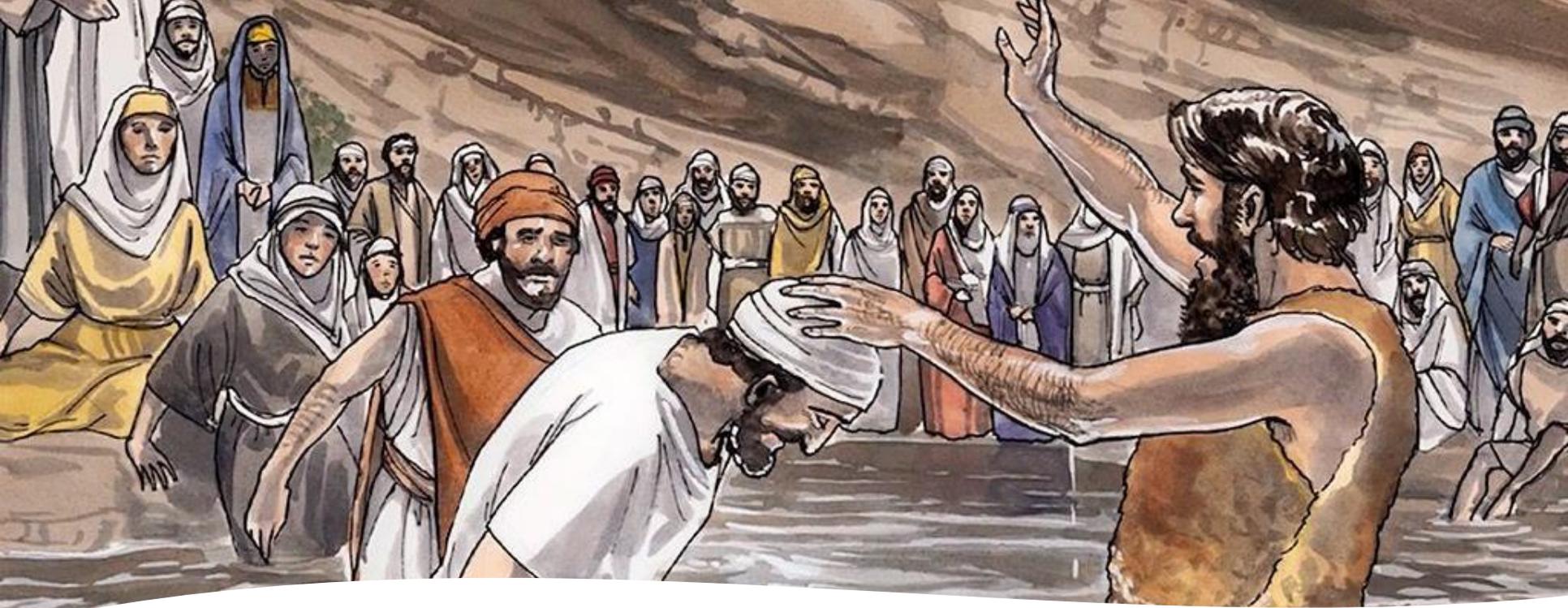


“Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea..” (1 Cor. 10:1-2)



2. Proselyte Baptism

- The process of non-Jew to Jew
 1. Offer sacrifice
 2. Circumcision
 3. Baptism
- Christ rebuked Nicodemus
 - “Are you the teacher of Israel, and do not know these things?” (Jn. 3:10)



3. Baptism of John

- “Then Jerusalem, all Judea, and all the region around the Jordan went out to him and were baptized by him in the Jordan, confessing their sins.” (Matt. 3:5-6)



4. Baptism of the Lord Jesus by St. John the Baptist

- Those who went to be baptized by John were declaring that they were sinners.
- *Jesus enters the filthy, sinful waters of the world and when He comes out, brings up and purifies the entire world. (St. Gregory of Nyssa)*



5. Baptism of the Apostles before the Cross



- “Therefore, when the Lord knew that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John (though Jesus Himself did not baptize, but His disciples) ...” (Jn . 4:1-2)



6. Baptism of the Church after the Cross



- The Holy Spirit descends upon the baptismal waters giving it power
- “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.” (Jn. 1:12-13)



Renewing our Baptism

- By repentance



Renewing our Baptism



Putting on Christ

“And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.” (Rom. 13:11-14)