Romans 8:34 "Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died – more than that, who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us."

I Thessalonians 5:17 "Pray continually!"

B. Jesus obeyed God the Father <u>completely</u> and we should obey!

John 4:34 "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of Him who sent me and to finish His work."

John 6:38 "For I have come down from heaven not to do my will but to do the will of Him who sent me."

Romans 12:1 "Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your Spiritual act of worship."

Philippians 2:6 "Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped."

Philippians 2:7 "But made Himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness."

Philippians 2:8 "And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross!"

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Luke 6:46 "Why do you call me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do what I tell you?"

I. Jesus travelled from his home in Nazareth.

**Mark 1:9 "At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan."

A. His <u>family</u> moved to Nazareth.

Matthew 2:22 "But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee."

Matthew 2:23 "And he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets: "He will be called a Nazarene."

B. His <u>friends</u> referred to Him as Jesus of Nazareth.

John 1:45 "Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the One Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph."

John 1:46 "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathaniel asked. "Come and see," said Philip."

Acts 2:22 "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—

C. His <u>foes</u> referred to Him as a Nazarene.

Mark 14:66b "... You were also with that Nazarene, Jesus," she said."

John 19:19 "Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews."

II. Jesus <u>trekked</u> to the Jordan river to be baptized.

A. The baptism of Jesus was <u>initiated</u> at the Jordan.

**Mark 1:9b "... and was baptized by John in the Jordan."

Matthew 3:13 "Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John."

B. The baptism of Jesus <u>involved</u> obedience at the Jordan.

Matthew 3:14 "But John tried to deter Him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"

Mark 1:4 "And so, John came baptizing in the desert region and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins."

Matthew 3:15 "Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented.

Isaiah 52:5 "But He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed."

C. The baptism of Jesus included prayer.

Luke 3:21 "When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as He was praying, heaven was opened."

D. This baptism of Jesus <u>identified</u> Him as the Messiah.

1. Jesus came out of the water.

**Mark 1:10a "As Jesus was coming up out of the water,"

2. The Holy Spirit descended on him like a dove.

**Mark 1:10b "... he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on Him like a dove."

Matthew 3:16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him."

Acts 10:37 "You know what has happened throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached — [38] How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how He went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil. because God was with Him."

3. The Heavenly Father voiced his approval.

**Mark 1:11 "And a voice came from heaven: "You are my son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:17 "And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

John 1:29 "The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

John 1:30 "This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.'

John 1:31 "I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that He might be revealed to Israel."

John 1:32 "Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him."

John 1:33 "I would not have known him, except that the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the One who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.'

John 1:34 "I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God."

Luke 3:23 "Now Jesus himself was about thirty years old when he began his ministry. He was the son, so it was thought, of Joseph, the son of Heli."

How can we apply this lesson to our life?

A. Jesus prayed <u>continually</u> and we should <u>pray</u>.

Mark 1:35 "Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where He prayed."

Luke 5:16 "But Jesus often withdrew to lonely places and prayed."