## Jesus' baptism in the synoptic gospels

## MARK 1.9-12 [UNIQUE TO MARK IN BOLD]

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately **drove him** out into the wilderness.

## LUKE 3.21-23 [UNIQUE TO LUKE IN BOLD]

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

Jesus was about thirty years old when he began his work. [followed by genealogy]

## MATTHEW 3.13-4.1 [UNIQUE TO MATT IN BOLD]

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saving, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized. just as he came up from the water, **suddenly** the heavens were opened to **him** and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on **him**. And a voice from heaven said, "**This is** my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Then Jesus was **led up by** the Spirit into the wilderness **to be tempted by the devil.**