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Prophetic Identification Isaiah 40:1-5, 10-11

John 1:20 John identifies himself

Malachi 3:1

Luke 7:24, 26-28 Jesus identifies John

Luke 1:67, 76 John's father, Zacharias prophetically identifies him

Malachi 4:5-6

Luke 1:17 Angel (Gabriel?) identifies John

Matthew 17:10-13 Jesus identifies John

Matthew 3:1-12 John's Ministry

John 1:19-28 John's identity – looking for a rebel leader

John 1:29-30, Appearance of Jesus Matthew 3:13-17 Baptism of Jesus Christ

Luke 3:23, Numbers 4:3 30 yrs

Exodus 29:1-9 Washing and anointing to consecrate a priest

Baptism Holy Spirit

Hebrews 5:5-6 High Priest order of Melchizedek, my Son, this day begotton

Baptism For OT, consecration, ceremonial cleansing

For John, ceremonial cleansing >> repentance & identification

with John

For Jesus, consecration & identification with John

(ID with John - Matthew 21:23-25)

Matthew 18-20 Jesus commands baptism

For followers, testimony & identification with Christ (John 4:1-3)

I Corinthians 10:1-4,12:13 Baptism as identification (dye?), of the Spirit

For church, also identification with local body