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Today's Scripture Passage: Luke 3:4-18 ESV

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"The Forerunner"

(Luke 3:7-18)

And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ" (John 1:19-20).

We need to _____ of our sins and _____ in Jesus Christ because he is the world's only _____ and _____.

1. John's Message (vv. 7-9).

The _____ of God is coming (v. 7; cf. Acts 17:29-31; Rom. 5:9; 1 Thess. 1:9-10).

Genuine repentance evidences itself in a change of _____ (v. 8; Rom. 6:2; 1 Jn. 3:4-10).

Don't trust in _____ (v. 9).

2. John's Explanation (vv. 10-14).

Genuine repentance and trust in Christ expresses itself in a life of _____ and _____ (vv. 10-11).

Genuine repentance and trust in Christ expresses itself in a life of _____ (vv. 12-13).

Genuine repentance and trust in Christ expresses itself in _____ of image-bearers (v. 14).

3. John's Inferiority (vv. 15-18).

Jesus is _____ (v. 16a; Deut. 10:17; 2 Sam. 22:33; Isa. 11:2; Jer. 50:34).

Jesus provides a better _____ (vv. 16b).

Jesus is the _____ (vv. 16c-17; cf. Acts 10:42-43; 17:31). In both the OT and the NT, "fire" speaks of God's judgment (Isa. 34:8-10; 66:24; Jer. 17:27; Rev. 20:14-15).

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