

**Open the Heavens
Luke 3:21-22**

Luke 3:21a (ESV)

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**WE SHOULD BELIEVE FOR A MOVE OF GOD THAT'S
MARKED BY MANY PEOPLE BEING BAPTIZED**

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Matthew 3:14-15 (ESV)

¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" ¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness."

**IT'S ALWAYS THE RIGHT TIME TO TAKE THE NEXT RIGHT
STEP**

What would it look like for you to obey today?

IT TAKES COURAGE TO OBEY

Proverbs 21:2-3 (ESV)

Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the heart. ³ To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.

Luke 3:21 (ESV)

²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying,

"From beginning to end Jesus' earthly ministry was marked by frequent times of prayer. He prayed at His baptism (Luke

3:21), during His first preaching tour (Mark 1:35; Luke 5:16), before choosing the twelve apostles (Luke 6:12-13), before feeding the 5,000 (Matt. 14:19), after feeding the 5,000 (Matt. 14:23), before feeding the 4,000 (Matt. 15:36), before Peter's confession of Him as the Christ (Luke 9:18), at the transfiguration (Luke 9:28-29), for some children brought to Him (Matt. 19:13), after the return of the seventy (Luke 10:21), before giving the Lord's Prayer (Luke 11:1), before raising Lazarus from the dead (John 11:41-42), as He faced the reality of the cross (John 12:28), at the Last Supper (Matt 26:26-27), for Peter (Luke 22:31-32), in Gethsemane (Matt. 26:36-44), from the cross (Matt. 27:46, Luke 23:34, 46), with the disciples He encountered on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:30), at the ascension (Luke 24:50-51) and supremely, in His high priestly prayer in John 17."

Genesis 4:26 (ESV)

²⁶ To Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time people began to call upon the name of the Lord.

Psalms 27:8 (NLT)

My heart has heard you say, "Come and talk with me." And my heart responds, "Lord, I am coming."

**PRAYER IS AT ITS BEST WHEN IT'S RELATIONAL AT ITS
CORE**

LET'S LEARN FROM JESUS HOW TO PRAY AND OBEY

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²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened,

"Truly God has visited His people in Wales. It is not a question of one town being awakened, but of the whole of Principality being on fire."

LET'S POSITION OURSELVES FOR AN OPEN HEAVEN

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LONG FOR THE EMPOWERING WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

LISTEN FOR THE VOICE OF THE FATHER