

Spring 2023 Bible Study - *Pleasing God*

Unit I: The Example of Jesus' Works

Lesson One - Jesus' Baptism

Scripture - Mark 1:4-13

> 1. Why does Jesus partake in John's baptism of repentance?

- a. What is repentance? What is remission of sin?
- b. Did Jesus baptize any disciples or anyone else? Why or why not?
- c. Why is Jesus' baptism or baptism in general considered "work?"
- d. By your definition in c, is "faith" considered work?

> 2. The UGP curriculum author suggests our baptism is drastically different from John's.

- a. Is this sentiment true to you? What is the difference?
- b. What are the ways in which people are baptized?
Do they have different meanings?
- c. John says, "I baptize you IN water. One coming will baptize you IN the Holy Spirit."
What does this mean and why is it significant?

> 3. Is repentance still necessary or warranted?

- a. Confession of sins?
- b. Asking for forgiveness?

> 4. What Old Testament ritual, practice or feast is associated with the practice of repenting? What similar practices continue today in the Jewish faith?

- a. See Jeremiah 3:12-15
- b. What are the 10 Days of Awe?

- c. What happens during the 40 days prior to Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement)?
- d. How many days are there between the Feast of Trumpets and Day of Atonement (or Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur)?

> 5. Other Class Member Questions....

- a.
- b.

>6. What do you think I will preach from this lesson come Sunday?