

Baptism of Jesus (Mark 1.9-11)

9 In those days

Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee

and was baptized by **John** in the Jordan.

¹⁰And 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.

¹¹And a voice came from heaven, ‘You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.’

Transfiguration (Mark 9. 2-8)

2 Six days later,

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves.

And he was transfigured before them, ³and his *clothes became dazzling white, such as no one on earth could bleach them.* ⁴And there appeared to them **Elijah** with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. ⁵Then Peter said to Jesus, ‘Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for **Elijah.**’ ⁶He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. ⁷

Then a *cloud overshadowed them*, and from the cloud there came a voice,

‘This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!’

⁸Suddenly when they looked around, they saw no one with them any more, but only Jesus.

Death of Jesus (Mark 14. 33-39)

33 When it was noon,

darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. ³⁴At three o’clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

‘Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?’ which means, ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’

³⁵When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, ‘Listen, he is calling for **Elijah.**’ ³⁶And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, ‘Wait, let us see whether **Elijah** will come to take him down.’

³⁷Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. ³⁸*And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.*

³⁹Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, ‘Truly this man was God’s Son!’