

Community Group Questions  
(Matthew 3:13-17)

1. Read Psalm 8:1-4. How do you balance the tension between God's greatness and power with His concern and attention for us? What do you think happens if we emphasize only one of these truths?
2. How would you apply John's statement about Jesus that "He must increase and I must decrease?"
3. Read Matthew 28:19 – 20. Why do you think Jesus commands the church not only to invite people to give their life to Christ (i.e. become disciples) but also to baptize them?
4. Read the following passages (Acts 2:38; 8:12, 36; 10:48; 16:33; 18:8). What implications can we draw from these passages about baptism?
5. It has been said that coming to faith in Christ but never being baptized is like living in a common law relationship. Would you agree or disagree? Why? What are some fears or reservations that people might have about being baptized?
6. If you have been baptized, share when and where you got baptized? Why did you choose to get baptized? What has it meant to you?