

THE STORY

Chapter 2: The Story of the Three Voices - Matthew Ch 3 & 4 Chuck Larsen, September 19, 2010

THREE WITNESSES

1. THE VOICE FROM _____

Matthew 3:1-3 (ESV) In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said, The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.

John 1:29-31 (NIRV) The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him. John said, Look! The Lamb of God! He takes away the sin of the world! This is the One I was talking about. I said, A man who comes after me is more important than I am. That's because he existed before I was born. I did not know him. But God wants to make it clear to Israel who this person is. That's the reason I came baptizing with water.

Matthew 3:4 (ESV) Now John wore a garment of camel's hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey.

Luke 1:15-17 (NIRV) He will be filled with the Holy Spirit from the time he is born. He will bring many of Israel's people back to the Lord their God. And he will prepare the way for the Lord. He will have the same spirit and power that Elijah had.

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Matthew 3:13-17 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me? But Jesus answered him, Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness. Then he consented. And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; and behold, a

voice from heaven said, this is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

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Matthew 4:1-11 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread. But he answered, it is written, man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God. Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, He will command his angels concerning you, and On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone. Jesus said to him, Again it is written, You shall not put the Lord your God to the test. Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to him, all these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me. Then Jesus said to him, Be gone, Satan! For it is written, you shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve. Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.