THE BAPTISM AND GENEALOGY OF JESUS

Luke 3:21–38

Key Verse: 3:22b

1. List the details Luke mentions surrounding Jesus’ baptism (21,22a). What is the significance that he was baptized along with “all the people”? That he was praying? What does it mean that “the heavens were opened”? That the Holy Spirit “descended on him in bodily form, like a dove”?
2. What did the voice from heaven say, and what did these words mean to Jesus? (22b) What do they mean to us?
3. What was Luke’s purpose in recording a genealogy of Jesus? How does his version of this genealogy compare with Matthew’s? (cf. Mt1:1–17)
4. Through this genealogy what does Luke want us to know about Jesus? (1:32,33,68,69; 2:10,11,30–32; see also 1Ti2:3–5; 2Ti2:8; 1Co15:22)