

References for Service on June 3, 2018:

Matthew 3:16-17 ₁₆ After his baptism, as Jesus came up out of the water, the heavens were opened 1 and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and settling on him. ₁₇ And a voice from heaven said, "This is my dearly loved Son, who brings me great joy."

Romans 8:14-17a 14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. 15 So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. 1 Now we call him, "Abba, Father." 2 16 For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. 17 And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory....

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Romans 6:6-13 6 We know that our old sinful selves were crucified with Christ so that sin might lose its power in our lives. We are no longer slaves to sin. 7 For when we died with Christ we were set free from the power of sin. 8 And since we died with Christ, we know we will also live with him. 9 We are sure of this because Christ was raised from the dead, and he will never die again. Death no longer has any power over him. 10 When he died, he died once to break the power of sin. But now that he lives, he lives for the glory of God. 11 So you also should consider yourselves to be dead to the power of sin and alive to God through Christ Jesus. 12 Do not let sin control the way you live;1 do not give in to sinful desires. 13 7 (Inductive Book and Sermon Preparation—Baptism (June 3, 2018)

Baptism Song from O Brother Where Art Thou

When I went down to the river to pray Studying about that good old way And who shall where the Starry Crown Good Lord, show me the way

O Sinners, lets go down,
Let's go down won't you come on down
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