



CHAPTER 3

*John the Baptist preaches in Judæa—
Jesus is baptized, and the Father acclaims
Him as His Beloved Son.*

1 In those days came ^aJohn the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judæa,

2 And saying, ^aRepent ye: for the ^bkingdom of heaven ^cis at hand.

3 For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet ^aEsaias, saying, The ^bvoice of one crying in the wilderness, ^cPrepare ye the way of the Lord, make his ^dpaths straight.

4 And the same John had his ^araiment of ^bcamel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was ^clocusts and wild honey.

5 Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judæa, and all the region round about Jordan.

