

eXplain it
(1st Sunday after Epiphany)

Is. 42:1-7/Is. 61:1-5 (the Spirit on Him)
Psalm 85 (Show us Your Unfailing Love)
1 Cor. 1:26-31 (Jesus becomes our Righteousness)
Matt. 3:13-17 (the Baptism of Jesus)

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The Big Questions

Is God with us?
Is God for us?

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**The Twelve Days of Christmas and
then the Epiphany
"manifestation"**

John 1:14: "The Word became flesh and made
His dwelling among us." (NIV)

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**“manifestation”
God in the flesh**

**the Coming of the Magi (January 6th)
the Baptism of Jesus
the Boy Jesus in the Temple
the Wedding at Cana and the Miracles
Transfiguration
Lenten Season**

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**In Jesus, God is with us!
So that He might become sin for us!**

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**“the great exchange”
“instead of ...”**

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**“The Spirit of the Lord is on Me”
Old Testament Shadow**

Isaiah 61:1-5: The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God ...

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**“The Spirit of the Lord is on Me”
Old Testament Shadow**

Isaiah 61:1-5: ... to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty *instead of* ashes, the oil of gladness *instead of* mourning, and a garment of praise *instead of* a spirit of despair. (NIV)

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Luke 4:14-ff (Jesus in the Synagogue)

17The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

18 "The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, **19** to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." (NIV)

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Luke 4:14-ff (Jesus in the Synagogue)

20 Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, 21 and he began by saying to them,

"Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

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"takes up ..."
"takes away ..."

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Isaiah 53: Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.

53:10: Yet it was the Lord's will to crush Him and cause Him to suffer. (NIV)

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**“He became ...”
“so that we might become ...”**

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2 Corinthians 5:16-21: God made Him who had no sin to be sin for us so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God. (NIV)

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The Baptism of Jesus ... Why?

**“the great exchange”
“instead of”
“takes up”
“takes away”
“He became ...”
“so that we might become ...”**

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Matthew 3:13-17: Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John. But John tried to deter him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?"

Jesus replied, "Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness." Then John consented. (NIV)

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**The Spirit Descending
The Voice of the Father**

Matthew 3: As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him. And a voice from heaven said,

"This is my Son, whom I love;
with him I am well pleased."

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The Voice: The Transfiguration

Matthew 17:5: While he was still speaking, a bright cloud enveloped them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" (NIV)

**Deut. 18:15-18
Psalm 2
Is. 41:1-7**

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The Law

Deuteronomy 18:15-18: The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own brothers. You must listen to him ...

... I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers; I will put my words in his mouth, and he will tell them everything I command him. (NIV)

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The Writings/the Psalms

Psalm 2: "You are My Son" (NIV)

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The Prophets

Isaiah 42:1-7: "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice; he will not falter or be discouraged till he establishes justice on earth. In his law the islands will put their hope." (NIV)

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**Remembering Your Baptism
Re-Membering**

**Romans 6:1-4: We are connected to the death
and resurrection of Jesus in our Baptism**

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ABC's of the Trinity in the Scriptures

**Annunciation
Baptism
Creation and Commission**

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Big Questions ... Big Answers

**Is God with us? "Immanuel"
Is God for us? "Jesus"**

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