



PASTOR BOB  
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## “THE MESSENGER” *Preparing Humanity for Messiah*

- *“The beginning of a whole new world!”*
- *The Ways of the World* 1 JOHN 2:16
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### *Preparing for Messiah Involved...*

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1. **A TRANSFORMED** \_\_\_\_\_ vss. 2-4, 6; 2 CORINTHIANS 10:4

*The ways of the world do not accomplish the works of God.*

2. **A TRANSFORMING** \_\_\_\_\_ vss. 4, 5

- *A Baptism of* \_\_\_\_\_ ROMANS 6:4
- *The Humility of* \_\_\_\_\_ 1 JOHN 1:9; ROMANS 7:14-25

3. **A TRANSFORMING** \_\_\_\_\_ vss. 7, 8

- *The* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the Holy Spirit* 1 CORINTHIANS 12:13
- *The* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the Holy Spirit* GALATIANS 5:22, 23; HEBREWS 5:12
- *The* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the Holy Spirit* 2 CORINTHIANS 3:17, 18

- ❖ *Preparing Others for Messiah’s Second Coming?* ACTS 1:6-11

**LIFE GROUP STUDY NOTES**  
**“THE MESSENGER”**  
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**GETTING STARTED** *“In your opinion...”*

1. Sunday’s sermon focused on how John the Baptist prepared the world for the coming of Jesus the Messiah. Of anything that you remember, was anything helpful?
2. Do you agree or disagree with Chuck Swindoll’s assessment of the *ways of the world...* that mankind typically pursues fortune, fame, power, and pleasure? Explain
3. What do you think are the spiritual opposites of the *ways of the world* that would align with God?
4. Have you ever known anyone who has been baptized and yet did not continue a life of faith? What do you believe baptism does for a person?

**GOING DEEPER** *“According to the Bible...”*

*Answer the following questions from what the Bible says in the suggested reading*

- **Read Romans 6:4. What is the purpose of baptism? Why do people get baptized and then stop coming to church or living a life of faith?**
- **Read the following verses and identify/explain the work of the Holy Spirit in our life.**
  - **John 14:16, 17**
  - **John 16:7-11**
  - **John 16:13, 14**
- **Read 1 Thessalonians 5:16-22. Taking into account the verses surrounding verse 19, what does it mean to “not quench” the Holy Spirit.**
- **Read Ephesians 4:29-32. Taking into account the verses surrounding verse 30, what does it mean to “not grieve” the Holy Spirit?**

**LIVING OUT**

- **Thinking about what John the Baptist did, how can we help prepare others for Messiah’s second coming?**