



Sermon  
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“Nco Thaum Koj Ua kevcai Ntxuav”

Epiphany - The Baptism of Our Lord  
St. Michael and Our Savior  
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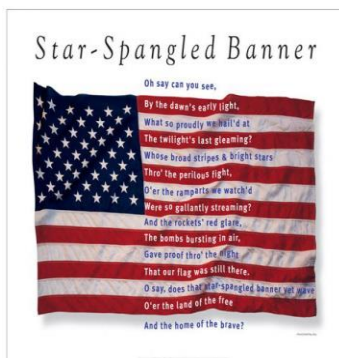
Thov txoj koobhmoov, txojkev hlub, thiab txojkev haumxeeb pub rau nej sawvdaws los ntwam Vajtswv uas yog peb Leejtxiv uas yog peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees.

**Mathais 3:13** “Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptized by John – *Thaum Yexus tuaj pem Kalilais tuaj cuag Yauhas ntwam tus dej Yauladees kom Yauhas muab Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav.*” Nov yog Vajtswv Txojlus (Cross Reference – Mathais 2:22; 3:6, 14, Malakaus 1:9, Lukas 3:21-22, Yauhas 1:31)

**Illustration** “Important” (Show Pledge of Allegiance)



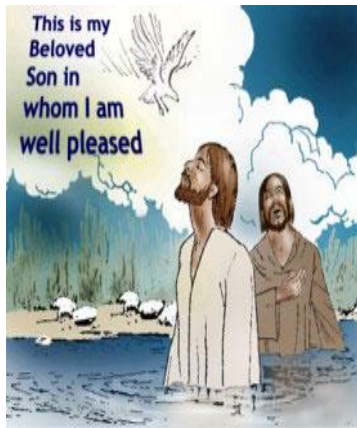
Thaum kuv kawm “elementary school – qib me hoob 1-6” txhua lub sijhawm thaum sawvntxov uas ntej peb pib kawm ntwam, peb tig rau ntwam tus chij, muab peb txhais tes los cia rau ntwam peb lub hauvsiab thiab pib haistias **“I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one Nation *under God*, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”** (Show National Anthem)



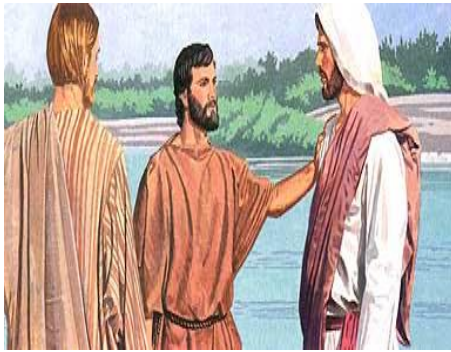
Thaum yuav pib qhov “Sport – ntau pob” losyog ib lub koobtsheej tseemceeb haiv tibneeg Asmeslikas yuavtsum xub hu Asmesliskas zaj **“National Anthem” “Star - Spangle Banner”**:  
O say can you see by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars  
Thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watch'd  
Were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare,  
The bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof thro' the night  
That our flag was still there,  
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave,  
O'er the land of the free  
And the home of the brave?

Tej qhov “ceremony – koobtsheej” zoo li no tsi yog lam tau lam uas. Nws yog ib lub cim uas yuav muaj ib yam dabtsi tseemceeb yuav pib – thaum ua tag lawm mam li pib tau.

- I. Thaum uas Tswv Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav ntawm tus dej Yauladees los zoo sisthooj li ntawd thiab. Vim yam uas tseemceeb yuav pib. **(Show Jesus Baptism)**



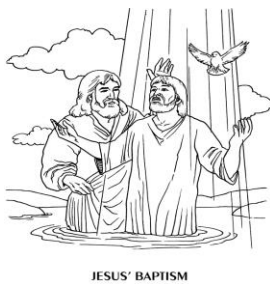
Thaum uas Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav yog Yexus yuav los pib Nws tes dejnum. Mathais, Malakaus, Lukas, Yauhas, puav leej sau txog Yexus qhov kevcai ntxuav. Thaum uas nws ua kevcai ntxuav tag, nroojntug qhib plho thiab Vajtswv thiaj li haistias, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well please – *Tus no yog kuv tus Tub, uas Kuv hlub; Kuv txaussiab rau nws.*” (Mathais 3:17) Yexus qhov kevcai ntxuav yog ua lub cim kom koj nco thaum koj ua kevcai ntxuav uas koj tau txojkev zamtxim thiab los ua Vajtswv tus menayum los ua Vajtswv tsevneeg. **(Show Jesus asking John)**



Yexus tsis muaj kev txhaum thiab tsis tas nww yuav los leestxim li tiamsis Yexus los kom Yauhas muab Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav. Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav yog qhia tshwm rau tibneeg paub haistias Yexus yog Vajtswv tus Tub. Lub limtiam no peb thiaj li hu haistias, “Epiphany – *Qhia Tshwm*” tias tus Cawmseej los rau lub ntiajteb los qhia txog Vajtswv txojkev cawmdim kom tibneeg tig los ntseeg Nws, tus ntawd thiaj li yuav tau

mus ntuj ceebtsheej. Yog li ntawd thaum Yauhas pom Yexus los rau kom Yauhas muab Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav Yauhas thiaj li hais rau Yexus tias, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me – *Koj yuavtsum yog tus muab kuv ua kevcai ntxuav, thiab ua li cas koj thiaj li tuaj cuag kuv.*” (Mathais 3:14)

Tomqab Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav tag Yexus mam li pib nws tes dejnum qhia txog txojkev cawmdim ntawm Vajtswv. **(Show Jesus Baptism)**



Nws pib qhuabqhia, hu cov thwjtim los nrog nws mus thiab thiab pib kho tibneeg muaj mob, digmuag, tuag tes tuag taw thiab lwmyam. Uas ntej 30 xyoo ntawm nws lub neej, tibneeg yeej tsi paub haistias Yexus yog leejtwg. Cov uas paub nws ces lawv tsua paub tias nws yog Yauxej tus tub “carpenter son – tus ua vaj ua tsev tus uas rooj uas tog tus tub xwb”. Tsis ntev xwb tagnrho cheebtsam tebchaws kalilais nrog rau tebchaw Loos tswjhwm paub tias nws yog

leej twg. Tsiv ntev xwb cov uas ntseeg Yexus muaj tsheej puas tsheej phav leej. Vim yog pib los ntawm Yexus qhov kevcai ntxuav thiab Nws tes dejnum.

II. Yauhas tsi kam muab Yexus uas kevcai ntxuav tiamsis Yexus haistias “Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfill all righteousness Then John (John agreeing to Baptize Jesus)



consented – *Nimno koj cia li ua li no rau qhov twb tsimnyog peb ua txhuayam kev ncaincees. Yexus hais li ntawd tas, Yauhas thiaj kam muab Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav.*” (Mathais 3:15) Yexus kom Yauhas muab nws ua kevcai ntxuav vim nws yog txojkev ncaincees, nws yog Vajtswv tus Tub, tus uas Vajleejtxiv pom zoo los theej ntiajteb txojkev txhaum. Thaum uas Yexus ua kevcai ntxuav tag nws pib nws tes dejnum los cawm txhuatus tib neeg uas poobzoo mus rau qhov tsaus kom tibneeg rov

pomkev los rau ntawm qhov kaj uas yog coj tibneeg rov mus sib raug zoo nrog Vajtswv. Nws thiaj li ua txhuayam mus rau ntawm tus ntoo kahublig tuag theej tibneeg txojkev txhaum. (Show Star of David)



Muaj ib tug xibhwb nyob rau tiam cov Nazi German xav pab nws haiv tibneeg “Jews – Yudais” thaum WWII. Nws paub meej tias cov “Jews – Yudais” no tsis yog raug xa mus rau cov chaw nyob rau “resettlement camp – *tibneeg raug kaw coj mus nyob npaj rau lub chaw yuav tawm rov los*” tiamsis raug xa mus tua povtseg. Yog li ntawd tus xibhwb no thiaj li hais rau cov tibneeg uas sau xovxwm kom lawv hais txog tej xwmtxheej no, tiamsis lawv tsis kam sau thiab lawv tsuas yog sau txog tej nomtswv tes dejnum xwb. Nws hais rau cov xibhwb loj kom lawv pab hais kom muaj txojkev ncaincees rau lawv haiv tibneeg los cov thawj ntawm cov tuamtsev no ntshai tsam lawv raug tsimtxom ces lawv tsis kam hais ib lo li. Thaum nws hais rau cov nomtswv, tej nomtswv ntawd tsuas hais kom nws cia li kaw nws lub qhovncauj tsis txhob hais dabtsi ntau ntau. Txhuayam uas tus xibhwb no ua los tsis muaj leejtwg tig pobntseg mloog nws hais. Yog li ntawd nws thiaj li pib xaw lub “Star of David – *Daviv lub hnuvqub*” rau nws lub tsho. Qhov no qhia rau lwmtus paub tias nws yog haivneeg “Jews – Yudais” thiab nws txaussiab hlo nrog nws haivneeg mus raug txojkev tuag. (Show Lamb of God)



“Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”  
John 1:29

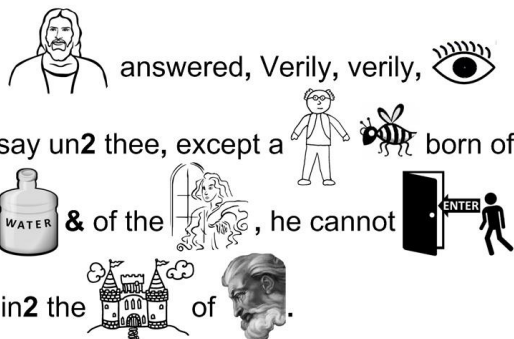
Nov zoo sisthooj li Yexus qhov kevcai ntxuav. Nws qhia rau sawvdaws paub haistias Nws los ua tus tibneeg txhaum. Nws thiaj li npaj mus rau ntawm tus ntoo kahublig rau txhuatus tibneeg. Nws thiaj li haistias, “Koj cia li muab kuv ua kevcai ntxuav, rau qhov twb tsimnyog peb ua txhua yam raws li

Vajtswv txojkev ncajnnees.” Los ntawm Yexus qhov kevcai ntxuav, Yexus qhia rau peb haistias Yexus yog tus Menyuum Yaj uas Vajtswv txib los theej ntiajteb lub txim. Yauhas thiaj li sau haistias, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! – *Cia li saib, Vajtswv tus Menyuum Yaj uas theej ntiajteb txoj kev txhaum.*” (Yauhas 1:29) Tsuas yog Vajtswv thiaj li muab tau cov uas yog tibneeg txhaum rov los rau ntawm Vajtswv xwb. Yog li ntawd thaum Yexus tseem sawv ntawm tus dej Yauladees, Vajtswv thiaj li qhia rau tibneeg ntiajteb paub tias, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well please – *Tus no yog kuv tus Tub, uas Kuv hlub; Kuv txaussiab rau nws.*” (Mathais 3:17) Vajtswv txib Yexus los ua txhuayam kom tibneeg rov tau txoj sia mus ibtxhis. Vajtswv qhia tshwm tias Yexus yog Vajtswv tus Tub uas yog tus los theej tau ntiajteb lub txim.

III. Nco thaum koj ua kevcai ntxuav vim Vajtswv twb foom koobhmoov rau koj thiab zam koj txojkev txhaum thiab muab koj los ua Vajtswv tsevneeg. Koj yog tus tibneeg tshiab muaj dua lub neej tshiab uas yog muaj feem mus tau rau ntawm Vajtswv lub ntuj ceebtsheej thiab tau txoj sia mus ibtxhis. **(Show John 3:5)**

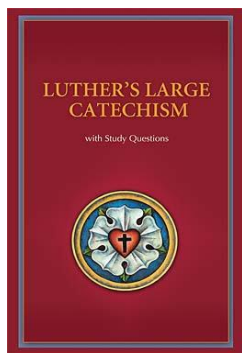
**John 3:5**

**Born of Me**



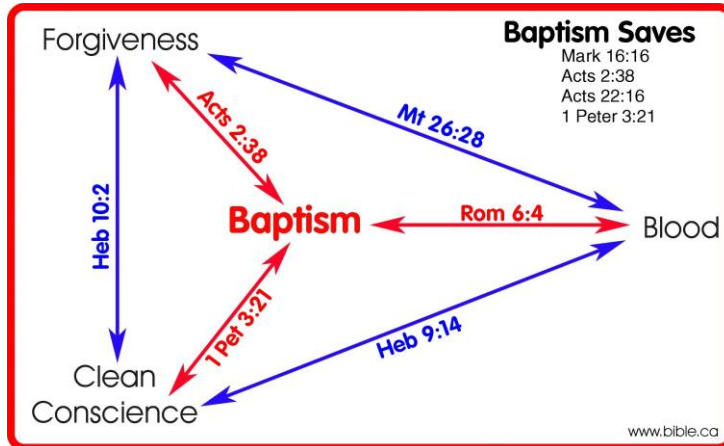
Yog li ntawd Yexus thiaj li haistias “Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit – *Kuv qhia tseeb rau koj haistias tus tibneeg uas tsis tau yug los ntawm dej thaib ntawm Vajntsujplig, tus ntawd yeej mus tsis tau Vajtswv lub tebchaws.*” (Yauhas 3:5) Tus Thwjtum Petus haistias “Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus

Christ, for the forgiveness of sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit – *Nej txhuatus nyias yuavtsum tso nyias tej kev txhaum tseg thiab ua kevcai ntxuav ntawm Yexus Khetos lub npe, Vajtswv thiaj yuav zamtxim rau nej thiab nej thiaj yuav tau Vajntsujplig Dawbhuv.*” (Tes Haujlwm 2:38) Nov yog peb pib lub neej tshiab rau ntawm Vajtswv. **(Show Luther Large Catechism)**



Ntau zaug peb cov ntseeg xav haistias peb qhov kevcai ntxuav tsuas yog yav dhau los thiab tsis tseemcee. Yav tag los nws tseemcee tiamsis tamsim no nws tsis muaj txiajntsim rau peb lawm. Tiamsis qhov tseeb tiag, peb qhov kevcai ntxuav no nws muaj hwjchim heev. Vim Vajntsujplig Dawbhuv tseem nrog nraim peb, txhawb peb, thiab pub lub hwjchim rau peb. Kevcai ntxuav pub tau kev zamtxim rau peb. Dr. Martin Luther sau ntawm nws phau “Large Catechism - Luther Phau Ntawm Qhiav Kev Ntseeg Loj” haistias, “As we have once obtained forgiveness

of sins in Baptism, so forgiveness remains day by day as long as we live. – *Thawj zaug uas peb tau kev zamtxim los ntawm kevcai ntxuav, txojkev zamtxim nyob nrog peb ib hnub dhau ib hnub ntawm peb txojkev ua neej nyob.*” (Luther Phau Ntawv Qhiav Kev Ntseeg Loj) Kevcai ntxuav yog Vajtswv foom koobhmoov pub rau peb kom peb nco ntsoov Nws txojkev hlub. (Show Baptism Saves)



Thaum uas peb ua kevcai ntxuav peb tau txais Vajntsujplig zoo ib yam li Tswv Yexus tau txais thiab. Vajntsujplig coj peb los ntseeg Vajtswv, nws txhawb peb lub zog kom peb txoj kev ntseeg loj hlob, txhawb peb lub zog kom peb tsi txhob raug txoj kev dag

ntxias, txhawb kom peb paub mus qhia cov uas tsi tau los ntseeg Vajtswv, txhawb peb zog thaum peb muaj kev nyuajsiab, muaj mob, noj tsi qab nyob tsi zoo. “Kevcai Ntxuav cawm tau koj tamsim no”. (Malakaus 16:16, Cov Dejnum 2:38; 22:16, 1 Petus 3:21) Vajntsujplig txhawb peb lub zog ib yam li thaum nws txhawb Tswv Yexus. Yog li ntawd nco thaum koj ua kevcai ntxuav vim koj twb tau txojkev zamtxim lawm. Asmees.

Thov kom Vajtswv Txojlus pub rau peb sawvdaws totaub thiab tau nyob kajsiab lug rau ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe. Peb txhuatus uas yog Vajtswv cov menyuum peb sawvdaws hais: Asmees