An Early Picture of Death

Matthew 3:13-17 (series #8)

I. The Arrival of Jesus from Galilee v. 13

- A. He came from His hometown of Nazareth
 - 1. The family had settled there Matt. 1:22-23
 - 2. He had been growing there Luke 2:51-52
- B. He came to be baptized by John

II. The Objection of John v. 14

- A. John knew he was inferior to Jesus verse 11
- B. John knew he was a sinner needing to repent

III. The Explanation of Jesus v. 15

- A. His baptism identified Him with sinners
 - 1. 1 Timothy 1:15
 - 2. Hebrews 2:14

B. His baptism prefigured His death

- 1. Luke 12:50
- 2. Mark 10:38

IV. The Activity of the Triune God vv. 16-17

- A. The Son was baptized
- B. The Spirit descended (to anoint Jesus)
- C. The Father spoke from heaven
 - 1. Psalm 2:7
 - 2. Isaiah 42:1

Conclusion: Have you received the benefits of Christ's death?