



Page 1: Questions to dig deeper...

- 1) What's your **overall impression** of this passage? How does it increase your view of Jesus?
- 2) What difference does it make that **Jesus is God**? What questions does this raise for you?
- 3) When do you personally need to remember how powerful (**great**) Jesus is?
- 4) When do you personally need to remember how kind and **good** Jesus is?
- 5) Turn what you have discovered today to **prayer**, telling God what you are thankful for today.



Page 2: Questions to dig even deeper...

- 1) **Verses 2 & 3** are actually a combination of 2 or even 3 verses from the Old Testament. Certainly Isaiah 40:3, certainly Malachi 3:1, and possibly Exodus 23:20. If you play spot the difference (see above) between Mal 3:1 and Mark 1:2 you will see that Mark slightly changes the Old Testament words. By digging back into the original words how is our first point strengthened?
- 2) **John the Baptist** is a little strange! 2 Kings 1:8 shows us how he is in the line of Elijah. How does that similarity help us? How does Malachi 4:5 help us even more?
- 3) **Gods words from Heaven**, may also be a combination of three Old Testament phrases. Look up the following to see how the passages give you further insight into what kind of a King Jesus is...
 - 1) Genesis 22 (esp v2, 12, 16)
 - 2) Psalm 2 (esp v7-9)
 - 3) Isaiah 42 (esp v1-4).