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***BAPTISMS OF MOSES, OF JOHN THE BAPTIST
AND OF THE LORD JESUS***

❖ My Master; grant me to savor Your conversation with Nicodemus.

How can I be born from above that I may see the kingdom of Heavens?

How can I be born of water and Spirit that I may enter the kingdom of Heavens?

How is that which born of the Spirit is also spirit? (John 3:-6)

❖ You have sent the greatest among the prophets, the honored Moses who presented to us the “Baptism of Moses”

Despite its greatness, it required many animal scarifies.

For each sacrifice, there was a specific ritual;

And it was limited to a group of people and not for all the peoples.

It was a symbol of forgiveness to some sins and inequities.

❖ You have sent Your Angel John the Baptist to prepare the way before You.

His Baptism didn’t require animal sacrifices, nor was it limited to the type of sins.

They came to him from all of Judea and Jerusalem.

Indeed, his baptism has surpassed the baptism of Moses. I could hear him with a contrite heart, referring to You:

I baptize you with water, but the One who comes after me will baptize you with Fire and Spirit; Whom I’m not worthy to loosen His sandal’s straps.

❖ The focus shifts to are You, Your Good Father and the Holy Spirit;
The mystery of my life, my salvation, my new birth and honor.
Please reveal to me the mystery of my New Birth.

MY HOLY SPIRIT WILL GUIDE YOU TO THE NEW BIRTH

❖ For you my son I subjected myself to the baptism of John to fulfill all righteousness.
My Holy Spirit will lead you to the Baptism Font,
And there it will happen: that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
This is the work of My Holy Spirit;
You are buried with Me that the old man may die,
And through the power of my resurrection a new man is born.
My Spirit will grant you the union with Me, and the heaven will rejoice.

I RECEIVED YOU THAT I MAY COVER YOU AND BECOME YOUR GOODNESS, YOUR HOLINESS AND YOUR SALVATION

❖ In the water of the Baptism where you're buried with Me, I will not leave you a bare newborn with no cover.
I will be your garment that you may be hidden in Me and I cover you. (Colossians 3:3 & Gal 3:27)
I will become to you goodness, holiness and salvation.
The heavenly Father will look upon you and see your flawless beauty.

Instead of your sins, He sees My goodness filling you with glory.

Instead of sin I become your holiness and salvation.
How marvelous is the transformation that made you holy.

What else is needed for you who became the focus of the Trinity's love!

THE FATHER LOVES YOU!

❖ Now that you died to the first birth and made privileged by the second through My Holy Spirit.

Now My grace has acquired you and I became your heavenly garment.

Now I am your goodness, your holiness and your salvation.

There is the Heavenly Father who granted you the sonship to Himself, He is calling on you;

Be perfect, for your heavenly Father is perfect. (John 5:48)

My son, you are the focus of the love of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

(From the inspiration of St. Basil the great)

