

The purpose of the thesis is to try to suggest an understandable translation of the text of Matthew 4:1-12 focusing on the second half of the eleventh verse which is the top of the whole part. It deals with the appearance of John the Baptist in the desert. The most important part of his speech is the description of coming Messiah. The character of Messiah described by words "that one, who..." brings some problems in understanding, especially the function of initiation. The work tries to describe it analytically and find a solution.

Except for exegesis of this text, there is the view of new testament on baptism in general, the baptism in Holy Spirit, and baptism by fire including the description of some ways and opinions.

The thesis looks for resources in modern commentaries and biblical lexicons, and also it compares other passages from bible with this topic, and last but not least, there is given my own view of understanding the text.

In the last part there is a summary of the whole topic and some application for the church of today. It is possible to use it for Sunday service or for pastoral care in personal spiritual growth.