

Introduction to Language
Handout 7

Neo-Melanesian (Tok Pisin) Text

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Sapta 1

¹Gutnius bilong Jisas Kraist, Pikinini bilong God, i kamap nau. ²Olsem profet Aisaia i rait bipo: Harim, mi salim man bilong karim tok bilong mi i go paslain long yu, na em bai i rediim rot bilong yu. ³Maus bilong wanpela man i singaut long ples nating i spik: rediim rot bilong Bigpela, stretim ol rot bilong em.

⁴Jon, man bilong givim baptais, i stap long ples nating, na i telimautim tok long wanpela baptais bilong tanim bel na tekewe sin. ⁵Olgeta manmeri bilong Judia ol i go long em, na olgeta Jerusalem tu. Ol i kamapim sin bilong ol, na em i givim baptais long ol long wara Jodan. ⁶Klos bilong Jon ol i wokim long gras bilong kamel, na em i pasim let long namel bilong em, na kaikai bilong em i pinatang wantaim hani bilong bus. ⁷Na em i autim tok i spik: Wanpela man i kam bihain long mi, strong bilong em i winim strong bilong mi, na mi man nating mi no inap long lusim rop bilong su bilong em. ⁸Tru, mi baptaisim yupela long wara, tasol em bai i baptaisim yupela long Holi Spirit.

⁹Na long dispela taim Jisas i lusim Nasarat long Galili i kam kisim baptais long Jon long wara Jodan. ¹⁰Em i lusim wara i kam antap i stap, na wantu em i lukim skai i op, na Spirit i olsem wanpela balus i kamdaun long em. ¹¹Na wanpela maus i tok insait long skai i kamdaun i spik: Yu Pikinini bilong Mi, Mi laikim yu tumas, Bel bilong Mi i gutpela long yu.

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