

# Jesus and John the Baptist

John 3:22 - 36  
Unit 21, Lesson 2

## What we learned

John the Baptist had told people to get ready for Jesus, the promised Messiah. Now that Jesus was on earth, John's mission was complete. John the Baptist joyfully stepped aside as Jesus began His earthly ministry.

## Discussion Questions

**1. John the Baptist told people, "I am not the Messiah. I am the messenger who goes before Him to announce that He is coming."**

- What are some ways that we are similar to John the Baptist? Is there a way we can talk about how Jesus should get the attention and not us?
- John compared himself to the groom's friend at a wedding who stands to the side and is happy that Jesus (the Groom) is there. What are other examples where we can support a friend instead of supporting ourselves?

**2. John said, "Jesus must increase, and I must decrease."**

- What are areas of your life when you can see Jesus as greater?
- God gave us food as a wonderful gift! If you thank God and remember that Jesus is the "Bread of Life" and that we depend on Jesus while we eat, is that one way for Jesus increase and for us to decrease?

## Memory Verse for this unit

"Jesus said to him, 'I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"

- John 14:6

## Pray Together

Spend time this week praising Jesus for His life, death, and resurrection. Pray for God to reveal areas of your heart that you are prone to seek your own ways instead of His,

ask Him to reveal why, and repent of those things. Pray for God to allow the truths of the Gospel to become real to you and to others.

Ask each member of your family – adults included – to share one thing they would like prayer for. Have someone to pray for that person’s request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

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