

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MAIN POINT

This passage describes the final handoff between the forerunner, John the baptist, and the Messiah, Jesus Christ. John's testimony is complete and he has great joy at the spotlight shining on Jesus, the greater witness. Jesus comes fully to the fore in John's gospel and we can expect even greater things as we go forward.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What were your thoughts on the text/sermon? What most stood out? How was it helpful? Confusing?
2. What is the role of a prophet in the Bible? What are similarities between John, Jesus and other prophets?
3. What area(s) are you prone to pride or jealousy?
4. How would describe a humble person? Does this match the Bible's description?
5. How can you replace jealousy with joy?
6. In what way/s did the sermon help you see the greatness of God?

AREAS OF APPLICATION

7. How will you take in more scripture this year?
8. What are some ways you can have a kingdom perspective like John?
9. Name someone you can joyfully serve (and then serve them).
10. Memorize Philippians 2:5-11.
11. What is one specific thing you mean to do differently in the power of the Spirit as a result of the things you saw or heard in this text or sermon?
12. Compare 2 Kings 2 with John 3 and the Transfiguration (Matt. 17, Mark 9, Luke 9). What connections can you make?
13. Bonus: Can you find any other transitions in the Bible that point to Christ?

PRAYER POINTS

14. Adoration. Praise Jesus for the ways he is greater than all other witnesses. Praise Jesus for his humility.
15. Confession. Confess any areas of jealousy or pride. Confess areas of unbelief..
16. Thanksgiving. Thank God for all he has provided to you. Thank God for scripture.
17. Supplication. Ask God for the joy that John the Baptist had. Ask for courage to be a bold witness for Jesus. Ask for greater humility. Ask God for perseverance to read and know the whole story of redemption better this year.