

Small Group Discussion:

After watching or listening to the lesson online, these are the discussion questions:

1. John the Baptist is a major character in this gospel story. Let's look at what the first chapter says about him. Read John 1:6-8, 15, 19-28

* **Comprehension:** (In other words, What does it say?)

What is John's role?

Who did the Jews think he might be?

* **Interpretation:** (In other words, What does it mean?)

Who is the light?

How did John the Baptist bear witness and prepare the way?

* **Application:** (In other words, How do I apply this to my life?)

Read John 1:23 and Is. 40:3. J the B realized that he was the one prophesied of as the one prophesied by Isaiah (40:3) some 700+ years earlier. Can you imagine the weight of that responsibility?

God has a plan for each one of our lives. It may not seem as important as that of John the Baptist, but as believers, we each have the responsibility to share the Gospel/Good News to our world. Are you doing that? If so, how? How can you do an even better job of sharing the Good News?

2. Read John 1:29-38 for more about J the B.

* **Comprehension:**

How did J the B show that he understood his role? Was he a man of pride or humility?

* **Interpretation:** (In other words, What does it mean?)

When did J the B realize that Jesus was indeed the Messiah?

How do you explain this?

* **Application:** (In other words, How do I apply this to my life?)

Do you understand the role(s) God has given you?

Can you serve with humility or do you seek recognition and reward?

Can you see how God works through a progression of confirming things in your life that He might build your faith? Would anyone like to share?