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Trail Marker Passage Matthew 3:1-17

Truth From the Trail God promised to send a Savior and sent Jesus to be our everlasting Savior and King.

Trail Takeaway

We can trust Jesus and choose to follow Him.

Trail Stop Recap

What is the strangest thing you have ever eaten? Have you ever tried a grasshopper? There was a man named John—actually Jesus' cousin—who lived in the wilderness, wore clothes made of camel's hair, and ate grasshoppers!

Last week we learned about a prophet named Isaiah. All throughout the Old Testament, God sent prophets to give messages to His people. Many of these messages reminded the people of God's promise to send Jesus, our Promised King. Isaiah not only spoke about the coming Messiah, but he also told the people that someone would come before Him to prepare the way.

More than 400 years passed without a prophet, until God sent John to prepare the people's hearts. When John began preaching in the wilderness of Judea, he reminded the people of Isaiah's message. John preached a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sin, preparing them for Jesus. People came from all over to hear John's message and to be baptized by him. Many wondered if John was the Messiah, but John clearly told them that the Messiah would come after him.

Continuing on the Trail at Home

Challenge your family to create an obstacle course at home. As you "prepare the path" remind your child of this story from the Bible. How did John prepare the way for Jesus? How can we prepare our hearts today?

Memory Verse on the Trail

"The Lord is trustworthy in all He promises and faithful in all He does."

Psalm 145:13b

Trail Guide Note to Parents

We are so thankful to have your child at Impact Kids! This year we will learn how God's power is on display in His creation that's all around us. We hope to see you and your family on Sundays at 9:00am and 11:00am.

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