



JOURNAL PAGE

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
2. What does this story teach me about myself?
3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?

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Unit 20 • Session 1

JOHN'S MINISTRY BEGAN

Matthew 3; Mark 1; Luke 3; John 1

IS JESUS GOD OR A HUMAN? JESUS IS FULLY GOD AND FULLY HUMAN.

The word of God came to a man named John who lived in the wilderness. He preached a message of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. People came from all over Judea to hear what John had to say and to be baptized.

The prophet Isaiah had spoken about John many years before.

Some of the leaders of the Jewish people called Pharisees and Sadducees came to see what John was saying and doing. When John saw them, he said, "Your lives don't show you've turned away from your sin."

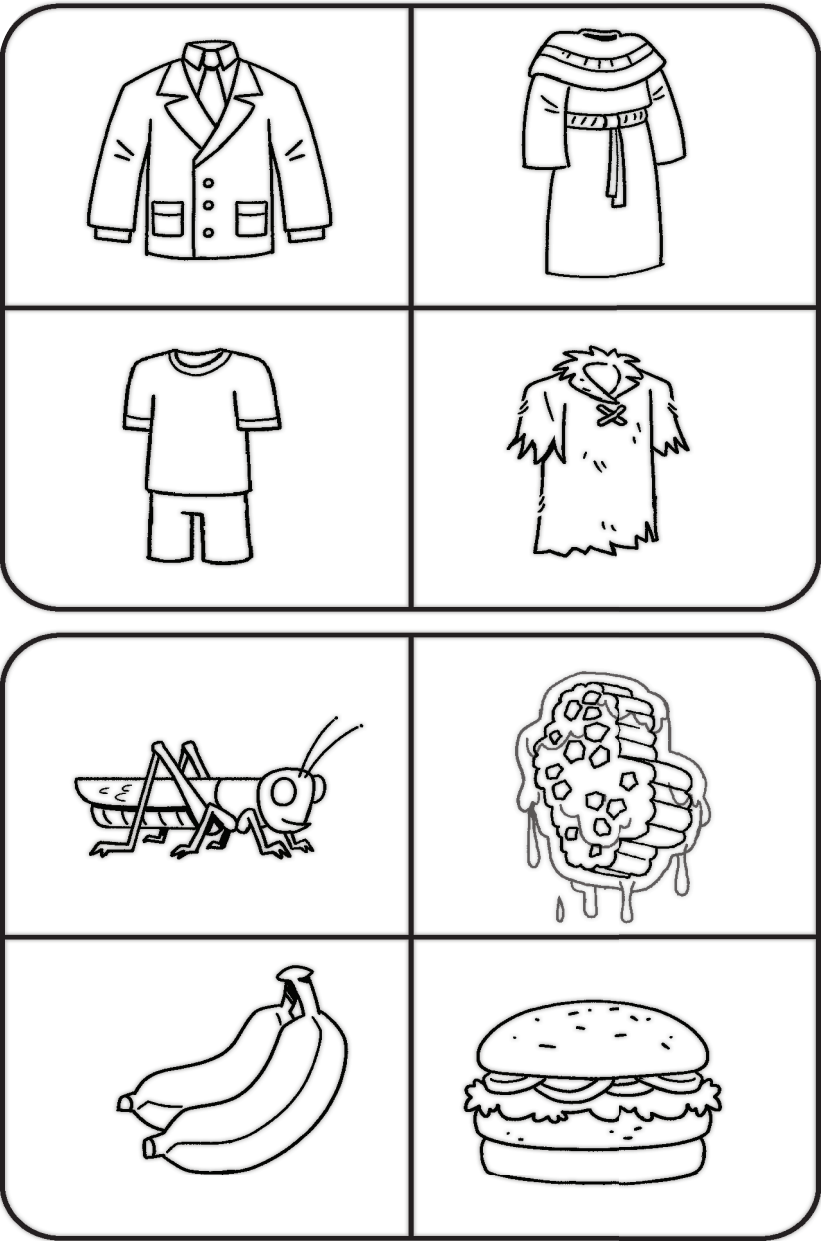
John knew that he was God's messenger who was sent to prepare the way for the Messiah.

John said, "I baptize you with water as a sign that you want to turn away from your sin. But the one who is coming after me is more powerful than I am. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

Christ Connection: John prepared the way for Jesus by calling people to repent of their sins. If we turn away from our sins and trust in Jesus, we will be saved.

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR RESOURCES TO USE AT HOME!





Wilderness Man | Color the clothes that John the Baptist wore. Color the food he ate.

John the Baptist Word Search | Find each word from the word bank. What part of the story does each word remind you of?

John the Baptist

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WORD BANK

RIVER	WILDERNESS	TURN	SIN
REPENT	WATER	SANDALS	JORDAN
	BAPTIZE	PREPARE	