

John 1: 19 - 28 This is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent to him priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" And he confessed & did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." They asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" And he said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you, so that we may give an answer to those who sent us? What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am a voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'make straight the way of the LORD,' as Isaiah the prophet said." Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, & said to him, "Why then are you baptizing, if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?" John answered them saying, "I baptize in water, but among you stands One whom you do not know. It is He who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." These things took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

Is. 40: 3 A voice is calling, "Clear the way for the LORD in the wilderness; make smooth in the desert a highway for our God."

John 1: 29 - 34 The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" "This is He on behalf of whom I said, 'After me comes a Man who has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.' "I did not recognize Him, but so that He might be manifested to Israel, I came baptizing in water." John testified saying, "I have seen the Spirit descending as a dove out of heaven, and He remained upon Him. I did not recognize Him, but He who sent me to baptize in water said to me, 'He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, this is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit.' "I myself have seen, and have testified that this is the Son of God."

John 1: 35 - 39 Again the next day John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as He walked, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him speak, and they followed Jesus. And Jesus turned and saw them following, and said to them, "**What do you seek?**" They said to Him, "Rabbi (which translated means Teacher), where are You staying?" He said to them, "**Come, and you will see.**" So they came and saw where He was staying; and they stayed with Him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.

John 1: 40 - 42 One of the two who heard John speak and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He found first his own brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which translated means Christ). He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "**You are Simon the son of John; you shall be called Cephas**" (which is translated Peter).

Matt. 3: 13 - 17 Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan coming to John, to be baptized by him. But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have need to be baptized by You, & do You come to me?" But Jesus answering said to him, "**Permit it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.**" Then he permitted Him. After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

John 3: 3 "**Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.**"

John 3: 7 "**Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.'**"