



Life Group Discussion Questions

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John 3:22-36
For the week of April 24, 2022

Reading the Text:

1. In vv. 22 - 24, why does John (the author) feel it important to tell us where Jesus and His disciples were and what they were doing, as well as where John the Baptist was and what he was doing?
2. What do you think was the intent of telling John the Baptist that “*all are going to him (to Jesus)*” to be baptized? What response do you think “the Jew” and/or John’s disciples were expecting?
3. In vv.25 - 30, how would you summarize John the Baptist’s response?
4. In vv. 31 - 36, we have John (the author’s) commentary on why Jesus’s ministry must increase. How would you summarize John’s point at the end of this section?

Knowing the Full Picture:

5. Read Acts 19:2-7. What does this tell us about Luke and Apollos’ understanding of the importance of Jesus’ ministry surpassing John the Baptist’s ministry?

Living It Out:

6. Have you ever had a loss of job, income, or status that really shook your sense of identity? How can we learn to respond more like John the Baptist – (v. 27 - everything I have is from God)?
7. In light of John the Baptist’s ‘best man’ analogy, is there a situation in which you were overjoyed that the ‘right’ person received their due? What made you feel that way? How can this apply to how we see Jesus?
8. In v. 36, John writes that whoever believes in the Son has (present tense) eternal life. How might we live differently if we believed more fully that eternal life starts now? How might we encourage one another with this truth?