

11. John based his ministry where?
12. John's ministry would have been about how far from Jerusalem?
13. It is possible that God wanted John's ministry so far from a large population for what reason?
14. What was John's message?
15. Repentance involves a change of what three areas?
 - a. M _____
 - b. H _____
 - c. L _____
16. Repentance is when you change your mind about what?
17. True repentance affects, not only your intellect and emotions, but also it affects your what?
18. The result of true repentance is that your life is what?
19. In what sense was the kingdom near?
20. You can't unravel the interlocking relationship between the plan of God and the what?
21. There are indicators in the New Testament that John and the disciples thought the kingdom would be established once they knew what?
22. Later in John's ministry, what happened to him?
23. Summarize Jesus's answer to John the Baptist when John had doubts about Jesus being the Messiah?
24. It was shocking for what group of people to hear that they needed to repent?
25. John's task was to clear the path of obstacles so the king could do what?
26. What was the one obstacle that blocked the way?
27. Jesus is called the Word; John, in all four gospels, is called the what?
28. Why did John dress the way that he dressed?
29. Zechariah 13:4 describes a garment made of hair as belonging to whom?
30. Why was it significant that John the Baptizer dressed like Elijah the prophet?
31. John was a partial fulfillment of what prophecy?
32. Is Luke 7:7-14 an argument for reincarnation? If not, why not?
33. It is possible that the forerunner/herald who comes before the second coming of Christ will be whom?
34. John was very much like Elijah in what ways?
 - a. His A _____
 - b. His M _____
 - c. His A _____
 - d. His M _____
35. What did John eat?
35. John was under the restrictions and laws of what?
36. Was there much interest in John?
37. The Jews who submitted to John's baptism were, in essence, saying that they were what?

38. What does God want from us?

39. Why does it take, in some ways, more humility to submit to baptism than to repent of sin?

40. What did Jesus Himself, say about John the Baptizer?

41. What three qualities made John so great?

- a. He was an _____ man
- b. He was a _____ man
- c. He was a _____ man

42. What do you personally need to do in response to this sermon today?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »»How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »»How can I accomplish this change?
- »»What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) Read Matthew 1:1-3:12**
- 2) What do you think is the world's worst evil?**
- 3) Who were the Pharisees?**
- 4) What are some ways that you could take a stand on right and wrong and still be considered by others as being a Pharisee?**
- 5) How do people today bank their salvation on something similar to what the Pharisees did in the 1st century A.D.**

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THE KING'S FORERUNNER

Matthew 3:1-6

(Series #6)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "**The King's Forerunner**". All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. In Bible Times, the king was almost always preceded by what?
2. In the gospel of Matthew, our Lord Jesus Christ is presented as a what?
3. Who was the herald or forerunner for Christ?
4. Was John the Baptist, really a Baptist?
5. Why is he often referred to as "John the Baptist?"
6. John the Baptizer practiced what form of baptism?
7. Who was the planner for what John the Baptizer would do with his life?
8. The Holy Spirit said that it was the will of God for the people to be what?
9. What do many people believe about baptism?
10. What or how do you view baptism?

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