

STORYBOARD

Discovering Your Story

Week 7



The Gospel in a Word



The Bible Person who was the subject of the Sermon:
John the Baptizer (John 1:6-9, 14-18, 24-28)

John the Baptist (Luke 1)

Born to elderly parents, Zachariah and Elisabeth.

John the Baptist and Jesus were second cousins on their mother's side (Luke 1:36).

John was 6-8 months older than Jesus, but they only met twice. The first meeting was in the womb and the second was at Jesus' Baptism.

John lived in the desert of Judea until he was 30 years old. He wore clothes made of camel hair and ate wild honey and dried locusts.

John baptized people in the Jordon River at Bethabara which is the same place the people of Israel crossed the Jordon more than a thousand years earlier into the promised land.

John is called the forerunner because he preached about Jesus to the world around him (John 1:31-34).

John convicted Herod Antipas for illegally marrying his brother's wife who was also his niece (Mark 6:18-28 and Matthew 14:3).

John was put in prison after Christ's sermon on the mount. While in prison, John was visited by his disciples and Herod came to ask him questions.

John became discouraged in prison and began to question and doubt (Matthew 11:2-4).

John was executed in 32 BC.

Week 7 Questions

1. How does John the Baptizer's life tell the gospel story?
2. You will be provided with a form with all the questions presented in this Sermon Series to answer on one page. (Pick up at church or print from the New Life website: newlifeumc.org/storyboard.)
Take time to answer those questions and come back to this journal.
3. How does it all come together for you? What picture does it paint?
4. How can you use your responses to these questions to formulate and understand your own story? Consider this a "rough draft" of your testimony.

5. Write out your testimony.

6. Would you be willing to share your story with someone else?

7. How is understanding God's work in your life and your testimony significant as we enter the Christmas season?

a. Could it give new meaning to Christmas and the hope that we celebrate in the birth of Jesus Christ?

8. How will understanding God's work in your life and your testimony enrich your experience as a Christian?

Stay on “the lookout” for a display of God’s character and characteristics this week.

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Monday, Nov 22	
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