

MESSAGE OUTLINE—ADVENT 3

TRUE KING 3. JOY IN HIS WORTHINESS

John 1:6–8 (NIV)

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸ He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

John 1:19–28 (NIV)

Now this was John's testimony when the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem sent priests and Levites to ask him who he was. ²⁰ He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, "I am not the Messiah."

²¹ They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No."

²² Finally they said, "Who are you? Give us an answer to take back to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?"

²³ John replied in the words of Isaiah the prophet, "I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way for the Lord.'"

²⁴ Now the Pharisees who had been sent ²⁵ questioned him, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?"

²⁶ "I baptize with water," John replied, "but among you stands one you do not know. ²⁷ He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie."

²⁸ This all happened at Bethany on the other side of the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

John 1:1-5 (NIV)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴ In him was life, and that life was the light of all people. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

We find our joy in the True King who is...

1. Worthy of _____ . (v. 6-8)

He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. John 1:7

A crowd gathered around Jesus and asked him: "What should we be doing so that we are doing the works of God?" Jesus said, "The work of God is this: that you believe in the One whom God sent."

John 6:28-29

2. Worthy of _____ . (v. 19-23)

He did not fail to confess, but confessed freely, "I am not the Messiah...I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness..."

John 1:20; 23

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. **John 1:1,14.**

No one has ever seen God, but the one and only Son, who is himself God and is in closest relationship with the Father, has made him known.

John 1:18

The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. **Hebrews 1:3**

3. Worthy of _____ . (v. 24-28)

"Among you stands one you do not know. He is the one who comes after me, the straps of whose sandals I am unworthy to untie."

John 1:26-27

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. **John 20:30-31**

The Lord has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy. **Psalms 126:3**

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