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John 3:22-36 (NASB77)

John 3:22 (NASB)

²² After these things Jesus and His disciples came into the land of Judea, and there He was spending time with them and baptizing.

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John 3:23-24 (NASB)

²³ John also was baptizing in Aenon near Salim, because there was much water there; and *people* were coming and were being baptized—

²⁴ for John had not yet been thrown into prison.



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John 3:25 (NASB)

25 Therefore there arose a discussion on the part of John's disciples with a Jew about purification.



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John 3:26 (NASB)

²⁶ And they came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, He who was with you beyond the Jordan, to whom you have testified, behold, He is baptizing and all are coming to Him."



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John 3:27 (NASB)

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John 3:28 (NASB)

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John 3:29 (NASB)

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John 3:30 (NASB)

"He must increase,
but I must decrease."

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John 3:31 (NASB)

31 " He who comes from above is above all, he who is of the earth is from the earth and speaks of the earth. He who comes from heaven is above all.



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John 3:32 (NASB)

32 "What He has seen and heard, of that He bears witness; and no man receives His witness.

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John 3:33 (NASB)

33 "He who has received His witness has set his seal to *this*, that God is true.

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John 3:34 (NASB)

34 "For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit without measure.



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John 3:35 (NASB)

35 " The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand.



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John 3:36 (NASB)

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SRA Reading Laboratory

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1. Clarity About Yourself

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John 3:28 (NASB)

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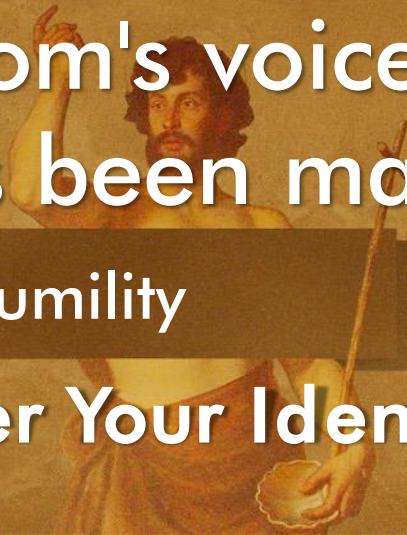
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John 3:30 (NASB)

5. Less of You, More of Him

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Discover Your Identity With the Lord

**I. Discover Your Identity
With the Lord Jn 3:27-30**

**II. Discover Jesus' Identity
Jn 3:31-36**

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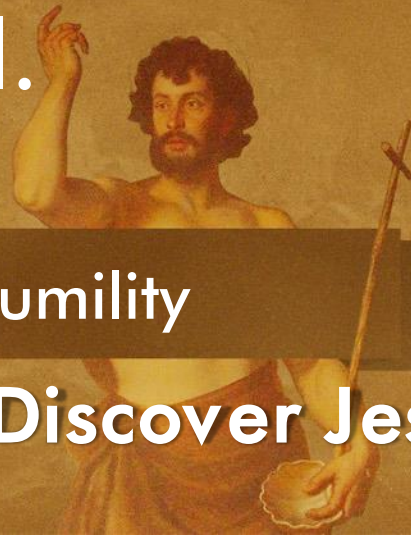
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Discover Jesus' Identity



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What is He speaking to you?
How are you obeying Him?

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Questions:

1. How well do you handle being in second place? Or forgotten, neglected, or fading into obscurity as someone else begins to steal your spotlight?
 2. How would you have felt, if you were one of John the Baptist's disciples, as his followers dwindled and Jesus' followers increased?
 3. "What are some of the bad consequences of envy, self-pity, or bitterness that you have experienced or observed in the lives of others?"
 4. Regarding vs 27, what are some "things" you have received from heaven?
 5. What is the point of the allegory or story about the bride and bridegroom in vs 29?
 6. "Is Christ truly increasing in you and is "self" ... decreasing?" vs 30
 7. "What are some ways you can demonstrate Jesus' superiority over all that you are and all that you own?"
 8. What did you learn about humility in John the Baptist that you could apply to your life?
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