



- Week **2** Questions -

Opening Question: Have you ever been mistaken for or compared to anyone of authority, celebrity, or importance? How did you respond?

Read **Luke 3:1-20** together.

Questions from the text

- According to vv 3–6, how does Luke connect John’s ministry to Isaiah’s prophecy? What does Isaiah’s prophecy emphasize about God’s work?
- What does imagery of baptism with the Holy Spirit and fire, the winnowing fork, wheat, and chaff communicate about judgment and salvation?

Cross Reference

- Read **Isaiah 40:3–5** together.

How does Luke’s direct quotation of Isaiah 40:3–5 shape our understanding of John’s role in God’s redemptive plan?

Application Questions

- In what ways can we be tempted, like the crowds, to rely on religious background or heritage rather than genuine repentance before God?
- How does John’s anticipation of the coming Christ shape the way he lives and preaches? How should our knowledge of Christ’s work shape us?

Core Value: Mission

As we look in Scripture, we see ways we are directed to surrender to Christ, be a part of his biblical community, and participate in his mission.

- John ministers to overlooked people like tax collectors and soldiers. Who are the “unexpected” or uncomfortable people God may be calling you to engage?