

## John 1:19-28

# Witness to the World

### 1) John

- a) Heritage Luke 1-2
  - Priest
  - Prophesied birth
  - Filled with Holy Spirit
  - Prophet
- b) Life Matt 3, Mark 1
  - Clothes
  - Food
  - Locale
- c) Ministry Matt 3, Mark 1, Luke 3
  - Announce Messiah's coming
  - Call people to Prepare (repent of sin, be baptized)
  - Identify / Baptize Jesus
- d) Response to him
  - He went viral (Mk 1:5)
  - Many thought he was the Christ (Luke 3:15
  - Most perceived him as a true prophet (Mt 14:5, Lk 20:6)
  - Jesus affirmed him as "Elijah to come" (Mt 11:11, 17:12)
  - Jews questioned & rejected him (Lk 7:30, Jn 1,3)
  - Herod imprisoned, killed him (Mt 14)
- e) John's title for him (1:7,8,15,19)

#### 2) The Jews

- a) Sadducees
- b) Pharisees

#### 3) The "witnessing" Conversation

- a) John's Assignment: \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Character of the Witness:

#### **Praxis**

- 1. What happened via John the Baptist that was so much greater than what happened through Noah, Abraham, Moses, or David?
- What parallels do you find between what God called John to do and be, and what Jesus calls us to? What things were unique to John calling?
- 3. How does the way John answers the 2 questions of the Jews inform how we ourselves might witness about Christ?