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**Matthew 11:1-6**

**John the Baptist's  
Most Important Question**

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**Jesus' Disciples Will Watch Him Work**

**Matthew 11:1**  
When Jesus had finished giving instructions to His twelve disciples, He departed from there to teach and preach in their cities.

**Matthew 26:1-2**  
When Jesus had finished all these words, He said to His disciples, 2 "You know that after two days the Passover is coming, and the Son of Man is to be handed over for crucifixion."

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**John's Important Question**

**Matthew 11:2-3**  
Now when John, while imprisoned, heard of the works of Christ, he sent word by his disciples 3 and said to Him, "Are You the Expected One, or shall we look for someone else?"

**Matthew 3:11**  
As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

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**Jesus' Important Answer**

**Matthew 11:4-6**  
Jesus answered and said to them, "Go and report to John what you hear and see: 5 the BLIND RECEIVE SIGHT and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the POOR HAVE THE GOSPEL PREACHED TO THEM. 6 And blessed is he who does not take offense at Me."

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**Applications**

1. We must know that Jesus is the predicted "coming one" and therefore the Messiah.
2. We must see Jesus' work and miracles as proving His messianic claims.
3. We must know that God supplies evidence for us to believe in Jesus as our Savior.

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**Messiah Is "The One Who Comes"**

**Genesis 49:10 NET**  
The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler's staff from between his feet, until he comes to whom it belongs; the nations will obey him.

**Ezekiel 21:27 (ESV)**  
A ruin, ruin, ruin I will make it. This also shall not be, until he comes, the one to whom judgment belongs, and I will give it to him.

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### Messiah Is "The One Who Comes"

#### **Isaiah 59:20**

A Redeemer will come to Zion, and to those who turn from transgression in Jacob," declares the LORD.

#### **Psalms 118:26**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.

#### **Matthew 23:39**

For I say to you, from now on you will not see Me until you say, 'BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!' "

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### Jesus' Works Prove His Claims

#### **John 10:25-28**

Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe; the works that I do in My Father's name, these testify of Me. 26 But you do not believe because you are not of My sheep. 27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; 28 and I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.

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### The God of the Bible Gives Evidence

#### **Isaiah 41:23**

Declare the things that are going to come afterward, that we may know that you are gods; Indeed, do good or evil, that we may anxiously look about us and fear together.

**Odds of one man fulfilling just 8 of Jesus' prophecies:**

1 in 100,000,000,000,000

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### The God of The Bible Gives Evidence

#### **Acts 17:30-31**

Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all people everywhere should repent, 31 because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.

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