

Journal Page

Write what you would tell someone who asked about who Jesus is. Why is Jesus great?



FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why did Jesus deserve the spotlight instead of John?
- Why is it hard to see someone else in the spotlight?
- How can we show that Jesus is most important in our lives?



Jesus and John the Baptist

John 3:22-36

MAIN POINT: JESUS CAME FROM HEAVEN TO EARTH.

Jesus and His disciples left Jerusalem, and they went out into the countryside. Jesus spent time with His disciples, and people came to them. Jesus taught the people, and the people were baptized.

Nearby, John the Baptist was baptizing people too. Some of the people who followed John got into an argument.

“Teacher,” they said, “remember the man you talked about, the One who was with you on the other side of the Jordan River? He is baptizing people, and people are starting to follow Him.”

John answered them, “You heard me say that I am not the Messiah. I am the messenger who goes before Him to announce that He is coming.”

John tried to explain by talking about a wedding. John felt like a groom’s friend because he was happy that Jesus, the Messiah, had come. John said, “Jesus must become greater, and I must become less.”

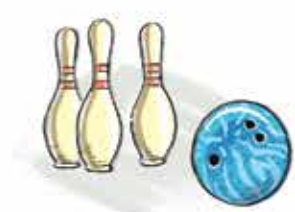
John also said, “The Father loves the Son and has given Him power over everything. Whoever believes in the Son will have eternal life.”

Christ Connection: John the Baptist had told people to get ready for Jesus, the promised Messiah. Now that Jesus was on earth, John’s mission was complete. John the Baptist joyfully stepped aside as Jesus began His earthly ministry.

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Great, Greater, Greatest!

For each row, number the items from 1 to 3. (3 = great, 2 = greater, 1 = greatest)
Then compare your answers with a partner. Do you agree on what is great, greater, and the greatest?



bowling



baseball



football



pizza



cookies



carrots



fall



summer



winter



John



Jesus



lion

Lights On!

Draw a line to match the first part of each phrase or sentence with the second part.

