

## He Must Increase | Yexus Yuav Tsum Loj Zuj Zus |

### John 3:22–36

#### Yexus Thiab Yauhas

22Dhau ntawd, Yexus thiab Nws cov thwjtim mus rau ntawm lub xeev Yudas, Nws nrog lawv nyob ntawd tau ib ntus thiab muab neeg ua kevcai rausdej. 23Yauhas kuj tabtom muab neeg ua kevcai rausdej hauv lub zos Ainoos uas nyob tsis deb ntawm lub zos Xalimes, rauqhov nyob rau thaj chaw ntawd muaj dej ntau. Neeg niajnub tuaj cuag Yauhas kom nws muab lawv ua kevcai rausdej. ( 24Lub sijhawm no yog uantej uas Yauhas raug coj mus kaw rau hauv tsev lojcuj.)

25Yauhas cov thwjtim qeeleej nrog ib tug neeg Yudais sibcav hais txog txoj kevcai ntxuav. 26Ces lawv thiaj mus cuag Yauhas thiab hais tias, "Xibhwb, koj puas nco tau tus txivneej uas nrog koj uake ntawm tus dej Yauladees sab hnuv tuaj uas koj hais txog ntawd? Tamsim no Nws tabtom muab neeg ua kevcai rausdej, thiab sawvdaws tabtom mus cuag Nws!"

27Yauhas teb tias, "Txhua yam uas neeg muaj puavleej yog Vajtswv pub xwb. 28Nej yog kuv cov timkhawv uas hnov kuv hais tias, 'Kuv tsis yog tus Mexiyas, tiamsis kuv yog tus uas Vajtswv txib ua Nws ntej los xwb.' 29Tus nkaujnyab yog tus nraugvauv li pojniam; tiamsis tus phijlaj tsuas yog tus uas sawv ntawm ib sab thiab mloog xwb, thaum nws hnov tus nraugvauv tej lus, nws zoosiab heev. Qhov no yog qhov uas ua rau kuv txoj kev zoosiab tiavlog. 30Nws yuavtsum loj zuzjus tuaj, tiamsis kuv yuavtsum yau zuzjus mus."

#### Tus Uas Los Saum Ntuj Los

31Tus uas los saum ntuj los, Nws yeej loj dua txhua yam. Tus uas los hauv ntiajteb los, nws yeej yog neeg ntiajteb thiab hais neeg ntiajteb zaj, tiamsis tus uas los saum ntuj los, Nws muaj hwjchim loj dua txhua yam. 32Nws ua timkhawv txog tej uas Nws pom thiab tej uas Nws hnov rau sawvdaws, tiamsis tsis muaj leejtwg lees yuav Nws tej lus. 33Tiamsis tus uas lees yuav Nws tej lus, tus ntawd yeej ua timkhawv tau hais tias Vajtswv yog tus ncaincees. 34Tus uas Vajtswv txib los, Nws yeej hais Vajtswv tej lus, rauqhov Vajtswv pub Vajtswv tus Ntsujplig puvnpo rau Nws. 35Leejtxiv hlub Nws tus Tub kawg li thiab muab ibpuas tsavyam tso rau Nws kav huv tibi. 36Tus uas ntseeg Leejtub, tus ntawd tau txoj sia ntev dhawv mus ibtxhis; tiamsis tus uas tsis mloog Leejtub tej lus, tus ntawd yuav tsis tau txoj sia, Vajtswv txoj kev chim yuav nyob rau hauv tus ntawd mus li.

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## Historical Background | Keeb Kwm

Jesus has just finished His conversation with Nicodemus regarding the new birth (John 3:1-21). Following that conversation:

- Jesus and His disciples begin ministering in Judea.
- John the Baptist continues baptizing nearby.
- Both ministries are active simultaneously.

This creates tension among John's disciples.

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1. John the Baptist's mission was to prepare the way for the **Messiah**. | *Yauhas Npastistaus lub homphiaj yog tawkev rau tus Mexiyas.*
  2. John understood that he was not the **Christ**. | *Yauhas tau taub tias nws tsis yog tus Khetos.*
  3. As Jesus' ministry grew, many people began leaving John to follow **Jesus**. | *Thaum Yexus nto moo, ntau leej tau tso Yauhas tseg mus raws Yexus.*
  4. **John's** disciples viewed ministry as a competition, but **John** viewed it as God's purpose. | *Yauhas cov thwjtim saib Vajtswv tes haujlwm zoo li kev sib tw, tabsi Yauhas pom tias tes haujlwm yog Vajtswv lub homphiaj.*

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## I. Humility Recognizes God's Sovereignty | Kev txo hwjchim lees paub tias Vajtswv yog tus muaj hwjchim kav txhua yam (vv25-27)

5. John said, "No one can have anything unless **God** gives it." | *Yauhas hais tias, "Txhua yam uas neeg muaj puavleej yog Vajtswv pub xwb."*

6. Every gift, opportunity, and ministry comes from **God**. | *Txhua yam khoom plig, lub cib fim, thiab ua Vajtsv tes haujlwm yog los ntawm Vajtsv.*
  7. Humility trusts **God**'s sovereignty rather than comparing ourselves to others. | *Kev txo hwjchim yog ciasiab rau Vajtsv txojkev tswj thiab kav, es tsis txhob muab lub neej piv rau lwm tus.*
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## II. Humility Rejoices in Christ's Success | *Kev txo hwjchim zoo siab rau Yexus tes haujlwm uas vam meej.* (vv28-29)

8. John compared himself to the **friend** of the Bridegroom. | *Yauhas piv nws tus kheej rau tus phijlaj ntawm tus Nraug Vauv.*
  9. Jesus is the **Bridegroom**, and God's people are the bride. | *Yexus yog tus Nraug Vauv, thiab cov ntseeg Vajtsv yog tus Nkauj Nyab.*
  10. John's joy was complete because people were following **Jesus**. | *Yauhas txoj kev zoo siab puv npo vim tib neeg tau raws Yexus qab.*
  11. True joy comes from seeing **Christ** exalted. | *Kev zoo siab tseeb yog los ntawm kev pom Yexus raug tsa kom siab.*
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## III. Humility Embraces Decreasing | *Kev txo hwjchim yog kev txais yuav kev txo qis* (v30)

12. John declared, "He must become more important while I become **less** important." | *Yauhas hais tias, "Nws yuavtsum loj zuzus tuaj, tiamsis kuv yuavtsum yau zuzus mus."*
  13. Decreasing means less **pride**, less self-promotion, and less self-centeredness. | *Txo meejmom qis txhais tau tias tsis yog khav theeb, tsis yog txhawb nqa tus kheej, thiab tsis yog xav txog tus kheej.*
  14. Christ increases when His character becomes visible in **our** lives. | *Yexus loj hlob hauv peb lub neej twb yog thaum pom Yexus tus cwjpw tshwm nyob hauv peb lub neej.*
  15. The goal of the Christian life is to make much of **Jesus**. | *Lub hom phiaj ntawm tus ntseeg Vajtsv lub neej yog ua neej raws li Yexus tus yam ntxwv.*
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## IV. Humility Understands Christ's Supremacy | *Kev txo hwjchim thiaj tau taub txog Yexus lub hwjchim*(31–35)

16. Jesus came from **heaven** and is above all. | *Yexus los saum ntuj ceeb tsheej thiab yog tus tseem ceeb tshaj txhua yam.*
  17. Jesus speaks the **words** of God. | *Yexus hais lus txog Vajtsv.*
  18. The Father loves the **Son**. | *Leej Txiv hlub Leej Tub.*
  19. Everything has been placed under **Jesus'** authority. | *Txhua yam twb muab tso rau hauv qab Yexus lub chwjchim lawm.*
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## V. Humility Leads Others to Faith | *Kev txo hwjchim koj tau lwmtus los ntseeg* (v36)

20. Whoever believes in the **Son** has eternal life. | *Tus uas ntseeg Leejtub yuav tau txoj sia nyob mus ib txhis.*
  21. Whoever rejects the Son remains under **God**'s wrath. | *Tus uas tsis lees yuav Leej Tub, tus ntawd tseem nyob hauv Vajtsv lub hwjchim chim siab.*
  22. True humility points people to **Jesus** rather than ourselves. | *Kev txo hwjchim tseeb qhia tibneeg los cuag Yexus es tsis yog rau peb tus kheej.*
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### Memory Verse: John | **Yauhas 3:30**

"He must become **more** important while I become **less** important."

"Nws yuavtsum loj zuzus tuaj, tiamsis kuv yuavtsum yau zuzus mus."