

Can I Get a Witness?
I'll Be a Witness Part 1
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John 1:6-8 NIV

⁶There was a man sent from God whose name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all might believe. ⁸He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

1. The Sending (Verse 6)

a. The Divine Dispatch

- John's sending was divine. It started even before he was born (refer to prophecies and Angel's message to Zechariah in Luke 1).

b. Vocation over Location

- Being sent isn't about the physical destination but the spiritual calling.
- We must understand our vocation in Christ.

c. The Global Dispatch

- Just as John was sent, so are we – into the world (Matthew 28:19).

d. Authority in Sending

- When God sends, He equips and gives authority.

2. The Role of a Witness (Verse 7)

a. Witness vs. Expert

- An expert knows, a witness has seen and experienced.

b. Power of Testimony

- We are called to share our experiences with Jesus.
- Authenticity: We cannot give what we haven't received or speak about what we haven't witnessed.

c. The Authenticity of an Eyewitness

- The value of firsthand experience.
- People might doubt theories, but personal stories carry weight.

3. The Focus of the Witness (Verse 8)

a. Pointing to the Light

- John was not the source but the signal.

b. Humility in Service

- Our mission is not to elevate ourselves but to magnify Jesus.