

WERE YOU THERE?

John the Baptist: Prophet +

Matthew 11:1-19

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Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. -- Matthew 11:11

The progression:

John asks Jesus & Jesus answers John (1-5 + 6)

Jesus AFFIRMS John (7-14 + 15)

Jesus calls out hard-heartedness (16-19a + 19b)

John's story

1. Old Testament
2. Pre-ministry
3. Ministry
4. DOUBTS
5. Death

Jesus' editorial of John

1. What were you LOOKING for?
2. What did John reveal to you?
3. How did you respond?

Therefore for us today

1. God's timing is perfect
2. Follow your calling
3. BE PREPARED for and ARM yourself against the attacks
4. What God thinks MATTERS MORE than what others think
5. We are GREATER – we have a MISSION