

## November 20<sup>th</sup>, JOHN 1:19-34-Pastor Kyle Rogers

**SERMON SUMMARY:** In children's books, John the Baptist is usually portrayed as having long shaggy hair, a scuffed beard and he's often seen eating a steady diet of wild honey and dried locusts. All this may be true, but God's Word wants us to know that his appearance certainly wasn't the most important thing about him. This passage shows us that John the Baptist was the last prophet pointing to Jesus and it will help us see why that matters, why he pointed to Jesus in the first place, and what that means for us today.

**BIG IDEA:** John pointed to the ultimate sacrifice, substitute, and Savior of the world: Jesus Christ.

### 3 QUESTIONS THAT GET ANSWERED IN THIS PASSAGE

- Who is John the Baptist?
- Who is Jesus?
- What does that mean for us?

### WHAT DOES 'CHRIST' MEAN?

- 'Christ' is a title that means 'The Anointed One'
- From Greek 'chrio' which means 'to anoint'
- 'Christ' was used in the Greek OT in place of Mashiach, which is where we get Messiah

### WHAT DO WE LEARN ABOUT JOHN THE BAPTIST?

- Not the Christ
- Not Elijah
- Not the Prophet
- The last prophet pointing to Jesus

*Behold is a word of wonder; it is intended to excite admiration. Wherever you see it hung out in Scripture, it is like an ancient sign-board, signifying that there are rich treasures within*  
(Charles Spurgeon)

*All that the ancient sacrifices foreshadowed was perfectly fulfilled in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ* (J. C. Ryle)

### WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR US?

- Fully Forgiven
- Forever Free
- Securely Sealed with the Holy Spirit