



## **"The Best is Yet to Come!"**

Luke 3:15-17; 7:18-20; 7:21-23 (ESV)

*<sup>15</sup> As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup> John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."*

*<sup>18</sup> The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, <sup>19</sup> calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" <sup>20</sup> And when the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?'"*

*<sup>21</sup> In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. <sup>22</sup> And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. <sup>23</sup> And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."*

John 1:19-28

Isaiah 40:3

### **Testimony of the Forerunner:**

#### **1. Leads to Confidence of Christ's Coming.** (3:15-17)

Malachi 3:1

#### **2. May prompt us to a Season of Uncertainty.** (7:18-20)

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Matthew 28:17

Mark 4:41

Luke 24:38-41

#### **3. Produces Confirmation in the end.** (7:21-23)

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### **Proof Christ is Messiah**

Micah 5:2

Isaiah 7:14

Psalms 118:22-23

Isaiah 35:5-6

Isaiah 53:12

1 Corinthians 13:12