

SERMON NOTES

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He Must Increase

John 3:22-36

“After this Jesus and his disciples went into the Judean countryside, and he remained there with them and was baptizing. John also was baptizing at (Enon) Aenon near Salim, because water was plentiful there, and people were coming and being baptized (for John had not yet been put in prison).”

Luke 3:16 John baptized with _____ so people could _____.

Matthew 3:11-12 Jesus baptized people with the _____ and with _____.

A Christian baptism happens _____ you put your faith in Christ.

John 3:22 Jesus and His Disciples were doing ministry _____.

John 3:26-30 *“Now a discussion arose between some of John's disciples and a Jew over purification. And they came to John and said to him, “Rabbi, he who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you bore witness—look, he is baptizing, and all are going to him.” John answered, “A person cannot receive even one thing unless it is given him from heaven. You yourselves bear me witness, that I said, ‘I am not the Christ, but I have been sent before him.’ The one who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. Therefore this joy of mine is now complete. ³⁰ He must increase, but I must decrease.”*

_____ between two groups.

We are all brothers and sisters in _____.

Not only did John not show concern for his own ministry, it says that he _____

Jesus' ministry.

1. Jesus has come from _____.
2. I am _____ the Messiah. Jesus is.
3. John was sent before Christ as a _____.
4. He was excited and _____ to hear the news!
5. This transition from John to Jesus had to continue.

John 3:30 *“He must _____ in visibility and ministry. I must decrease.”*

John 3:31-36 Because _____ came from heaven He is _____ all others who are of the earth. He is able to _____ out the Holy Spirit that God offers generously to all who believe.