

THE GREATNESS OF JOHN THE BAPTIST  
(Matthew 11:7-15)

- I. John's Exemplary \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 11:7-8)
- A. Overcame \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. vv. 2-3)
1. He \_\_\_\_\_ his \_\_\_\_\_
  2. He \_\_\_\_\_ the right \_\_\_\_\_
  3. He \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Remained steadfast in \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 7)
1. He was not \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_
  2. He \_\_\_\_\_ under \_\_\_\_\_  
(cf. v. 2)
- C. Practiced consistent \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8)
1. He demonstrated \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ by  
taking a \_\_\_\_\_ Nazirite \_\_\_\_\_ (Lk. 1:15; cf.  
Judg. 13:7; 16:17; 1 Sam. 1:11)
    - a. Was not to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord
    - b. Was to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord
  2. He was not \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_
  3. He was not \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

4. He \_\_\_\_\_ those in \_\_\_\_\_ (cf. 14:3-4)

II. John's Extraordinary \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 11:9-11)

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ in over \_\_\_\_\_ years

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (Mal 3:1)

C. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

1. He was the \_\_\_\_\_ of all \_\_\_\_\_

2. But the \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ is  
\_\_\_\_\_ than \_\_\_\_\_

a. Broader \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ's \_\_\_\_\_

b. Closer \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ's \_\_\_\_\_

III. John's Exalted \_\_\_\_\_ (Matt. 11:12-15)

A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the prophets of the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

1. It has begun to \_\_\_\_\_

2. It was being \_\_\_\_\_

B. The \_\_\_\_\_ who introduced the \_\_\_\_\_

1. If Israel \_\_\_\_\_, he was the prophesied return of  
\_\_\_\_\_ (cf. Mal. 4:5-6)

[2. If they \_\_\_\_\_, the kingdom in its \_\_\_\_\_  
would come \_\_\_\_\_, announced by \_\_\_\_\_]