

Day 1

1. **Read** Luke 3:1-18, John 1:19-28 & Malachi 4:5-6.
 - a. Why do you think the Jerusalem Pharisees sent priests and Levites to question John the Baptist?

 - b. Why would John be baptizing Jews when this had historically only been done for Gentiles converting to Judaism? (Ezekiel 36:24-27)

 - c. What are some ways you can you be a voice in the American “cultural desert” announcing the return of Jesus?

 - d. John the Baptist had a very clear understanding that he was not Jesus. When do you replace God in your life with yourself?

Day 2

2. **Read** John 1:29-34 and Luke 3:21-22.
 - a. Why do you think John the Baptist called Jesus the Lamb of God? (Exodus 12:1-13)

 - b. Why did Jesus, as a man, need the Holy Spirit? (Isaiah 11:1-3)

 - c. Read Ephesians 1:13-14 and Galatians 5:16. Why do you need the Holy Spirit as a Christian?

 - d. What helps you experience the power of the Holy Spirit?

Day 3**3. Read** John 1:35-42.

- a. How did these men come to know Jesus, and what was their response?
- b. Why do you think Jesus gave Simon a new name, Cephas, which means “rock”?
- c. Who brought you to Jesus and how has your identity changed since you started following Him?
- d. Why do you think it’s hard for most men to introduce other men to Jesus?

Day 4**4. Read** John 1:43-51.

- a. Why do you think Jesus sought out Philip directly, while some of the other disciples were sent or brought to Him?
- b. The Galilean Jews hated the Judean Jews who controlled Nazareth. How did Jesus handle Nathanael’s criticism of Jesus being from Nazareth?
- c. What causes you to doubt that Jesus is God?
- d. Read Daniel 7:13-14. What is Jesus telling Nathanael about himself?
- e. Why do you think Jesus chose fisherman to be his first disciples?
- f. Why do you think Jesus chose you?