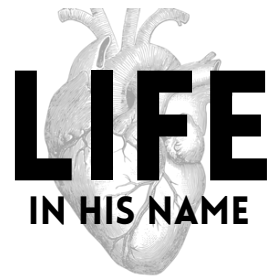


# GROWTH GUIDE

A Witness Masterclass | John 1:19-37

Week of 9/17/2023



## SERMON OUTLINE .....

- 1) Humility in the messenger. John 1:19-28
- 2) Clarity in the message. John 1:29-34
- 3) Singularity in the mission. John 1:35-37

## GROUP DISCUSSION .....

- 1) Looking back at John 1:19-37 and your notes, what did you learn or want to apply about witnessing? What questions come to mind?
  
- 2) Check for understanding: What do we know about John the Baptist and his birth? Why were people asking if he was Elijah? In what way was he Elijah and what way wasn't he?
  
- 3) What other desires could motivate spreading the Gospel that wouldn't be humble? How can I tell if I'm being proud when I share?
  
- 4) Are there any misconceptions or misunderstandings about Jesus that you've encountered or held in the past? How did you gain clarity on those matters? What does that say about what we should do as we continually seek greater and greater clarity?
  
- 5) Share some practical ways you can collectively support and encourage one another in living out the singular mission of following Jesus and making disciples.

## BREAKOUT DISCUSSION .....

- 1) Who are you most trying to witness to in this season that the group can check in with you about in the weeks ahead and pray for? What steps are you taking toward sharing the Gospel with this person?
  
- 2) What is one thing you could change or one thing you need to grow in to become a more effective witness? What are you going to do about it?

## POINTS FOR PRAYER .....

- For Joe and Miriam Branch and their ministry in north Africa to unreached people groups.
- That we would be bold witnesses for Jesus to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1:8)
- Practicing humility and selflessness in every aspect of our lives.

