



John on Jesus

He Must Increase, I Must Decrease

Small Group Work Sheet

July 15, 2012

Part 1 - Ice Breaker

Share your thoughts on Micale Conway's Christ Story.

Part 2 - Sermon Review

1. Why were John the Baptist's disciples angry with Jesus?
2. Why does John the Apostle add John 3:24 to this book? That verse provides an important clue about when this Gospel was written. How does knowing when the Gospel of John was written help us understand the importance of Jesus' statement in John 2 when he says, "tear this temple down and I will rebuild it in three days?"
3. When John the Baptist lost market share to Jesus, his first thought was to rest in God's sovereignty. What is God's sovereignty? How does knowing God loves me and nothing is out of his control change the way I feel when in a difficult season of life?
4. It is easy to let success go to my head and think of myself as indispensable. How did John the Baptist stay humble even though he was successful?
5. What could Jesus do for people that John the Baptist couldn't?
6. John the Baptist understood his mission in life. Knowing and fulfilling our God-given mission is a common biblical theme. What are elements of the general mission God calls me to?
7. How does God call us to a specific mission? Has God called me to a specific mission?
8. What is our mission in tragedy? How is tragedy like squeezing a jelly donut?
9. Why is there more joy when we increase the fame of Jesus' name rather than our own?
10. Which part of the sermon do I want to make sure I apply to my life this week?

