



When Jesus had finished giving these instructions to his twelve disciples, he went out to teach and preach in towns throughout the region. <sup>2</sup> John the Baptist, who was in prison, heard about all the things the Messiah was doing. So he sent his disciples to ask Jesus, <sup>3</sup> “Are you the Messiah we’ve been expecting,<sup>[a]</sup> or should we keep looking for someone else?” <sup>4</sup> Jesus told them, “Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen— <sup>5</sup> the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor.” <sup>6</sup> And he added, “God blesses those who do not fall away because of me.<sup>[b]</sup>” <sup>7</sup> As John’s disciples were leaving, Jesus began talking about him to the crowds. “What kind of man did you go into the wilderness to see? Was he a weak reed, swayed by every breath of wind? <sup>8</sup> Or were you expecting to see a man dressed in expensive clothes? No, people with expensive clothes live in palaces. <sup>9</sup> Were you looking for a prophet? Yes, and he is more than a prophet. <sup>10</sup> John is the man to whom the Scriptures refer when they say,

‘Look, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,  
and he will prepare your way before you.’<sup>[c]</sup>

<sup>11</sup> “I tell you the truth, of all who have ever lived, none is greater than John the Baptist. Yet even the least person in the Kingdom of Heaven is greater than he is ... <sup>13</sup> For before John came, all the prophets and the law of Moses looked forward to this present time. <sup>14</sup> And if you are willing to accept what I say, he is Elijah, the one the prophets said would come.<sup>[d]</sup> <sup>15</sup> Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand! <sup>16</sup> “To what can I compare this generation? It is like children playing a game in the public square. They complain to their friends,

<sup>17</sup> ‘We played wedding songs,  
and you didn’t dance,  
so we played funeral songs,  
and you didn’t mourn.’

<sup>18</sup> For John didn’t spend his time eating and drinking, and you say, ‘He’s possessed by a demon.’ <sup>19</sup> The Son of Man, on the other hand, feasts and drinks, and you say, ‘He’s a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of tax collectors and other sinners!’

**Matthew 11: 1-16 NLT**

## TO DEAL WITH MY DOUBTS EFFECTIVELY...

1. I \_\_\_\_\_.

John the Baptist, who was in prison, heard about all the things the Messiah was doing. So he sent his disciples to ask Jesus... **Matthew 11:2 NLT**

2. I \_\_\_\_\_.

“Are you the Messiah we’ve been expecting,<sup>[a]</sup> or should we keep looking for someone else?” **Matthew 11: 3 NLT**

And Jesus said to him, “If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.” <sup>24</sup> Immediately the father of the child cried out<sup>[a]</sup> and said, “I believe; help my unbelief!” **Mark 9:23, 24 ESV**

3. I \_\_\_\_\_.

- Evidence of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

Jesus told them, “Go back to John and tell him what you have heard and seen— <sup>5</sup> the blind see, the lame walk, those with leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life, and the Good News is being preached to the poor.” **Matthew 11:4, 5 NLT**

Jesus performed many other miracles that his disciples saw. Those miracles are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these miracles have been written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and so that you will have life by believing in him. **John 20:30, 31 GW**

- Evidence of \_\_\_\_\_ by Christ.

John is the man to whom the Scriptures refer when they say, ‘Look, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, and he will prepare your way before you.’ **Matthew 11:10 NLT**

4. I \_\_\_\_\_.

Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand! <sup>16</sup> “To what can I compare this generation? It is like children playing a game in the public square. They complain to their friends, <sup>17</sup> ‘We played wedding songs, and you didn’t dance, so we played funeral songs, and you didn’t mourn.’ <sup>18</sup> For John didn’t spend his time eating and drinking, and you say, ‘He’s possessed by a demon.’ <sup>19</sup> The Son of Man,<sup>[d]</sup> on the other hand, feasts and drinks, and you say, ‘He’s a glutton and a drunkard, and a friend of tax collectors and other sinners!’ But wisdom is shown to be right by its results.” **Matthew 11:15-19 NLT**

Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own. **John 7:17 NIV**

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