John 3:30

In this passage John the Baptist is teaching his students about Jesus.

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Think about John 3:30.

He (Jesus) must increase, but I (John the Baptist) must decrease. He who comes from above is above all.

- 1. The students of John the Baptist told him that Jesus was gaining more followers than John. How did John the Baptist answer his students?
- 2. Why did John say Jesus must increase?

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Think about John 3:31-32.

He who comes from above is above all. He who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks in an earthly way. He who comes from heaven is above all. He bears witness to what he has seen and heard ...

- 1. John describes two different kinds of people based on where each is from. What are the two kinds of people he speaks of? Which group is Jesus in? Who is in the other group?
- 2. How are the words of each kind of person different?
- 3. What is true of the ones who are of the earth?
- 4. What is true of the one who comes from above?

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Think about John 3:32-33.

He (Jesus) bears witness to what he has seen and heard, yet no one receives his testimony. Whoever receives his testimony sets his seal to this, that God is true.

- 1. What are the two different ways people act in response to the words of Jesus?
- 2. For those who believe Jesus' words, what then do they do?

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Think about John 3:34.

For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for he gives the Spirit without measure.

- 1. What is true of the one whom God has sent?
- 2. Why is this true? (<u>John 14:10</u>)

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Think about John 3:35-36.

The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand. Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.

- 1. What has God given Jesus the power to control?
- 2. Who **has** eternal life?
- 3. Who **has** the wrath of God?