



We do not have an outline this week.

Getting Started

1. "Who are you?" Take a few minutes to work around the group and give your best answer to this question *about you*.

Going Deeper

1. John the Baptist was a man who *knew* his identity. Read through the following verses and make a list of all the ways the Bible describes this man of God.

Matthew 11:11

Luke 3:1-2

Luke 7:24-28

John 5:35

2. Discussions surrounding identity, purpose, and our place in the world and the Kingdom bring spiritual gifts to mind. Below is a list of the spiritual gifts listed in the Bible. Which of these gifts describe you most? In what ways?

Administration
Discernment
Evangelism
Exhortation/Encouragement
Faith
Giving
Helps
Hospitality
Knowledge
Leadership
Mercy
Serving
Teaching
Shepherding
Wisdom

3. Read John 1:22-23 and Isaiah 40:3. What did John tell those questioning him? What did he say about his purpose, identity, and role?

4. How is John a picture of what our purpose and identity are *supposed* to be? In what way are all Christians to be a voice (or herald) of the King of Kings and Lord of Lords?

