

The Forerunner, John the Baptist: The Pivotal Point of History Luke 03:01–06

(Mt. 3:1-6; Mk. 1:2-6; Jn. 1:19-28)

<p>1 <i>He was a man who launched the most pivotal point of history</i></p> <p>2 <i>He was a man called out of the wilderness</i></p> <p>3 <i>He was a man who preached repentance and forgiveness of sin</i></p> <p>4 <i>He was a man who cried out apocalyptically: Prepare, make the paths of God straight</i></p> <p>a. Humbled shall be exalted b. Proud shall be made low c. Crooked shall be straightened out d. Rough shall be smoothed e. God’s salvation shall be seen</p>	<p>1 In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar — when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea. Herod tetrarch of Galilee, his brother Philip tetrarch of Iturea and Traconitis, and Lysanias tetrarch of Abilene —</p> <p>2 During the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the desert.</p> <p>3 He went into all the country around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.</p> <p>4 As is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet: “A voice of one calling in the desert, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him.</p> <p>5 Every valley shall be filled in, every mountain and hill made low. The crooked roads shall become straight, the rough ways smooth.</p> <p>6 And all mankind will see God’s salvation.””</p>
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