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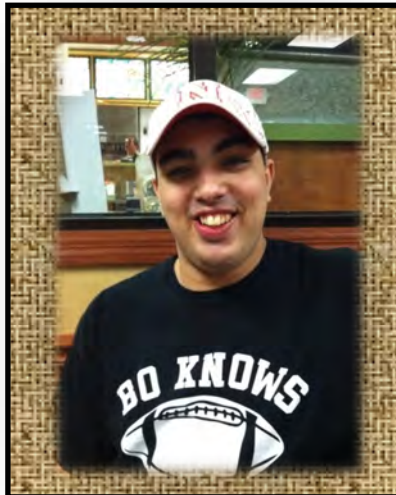
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY ANDREW!

March 13th is a joyous day for ABLED, as we celebrate Andrew's 38th birthday. Andrew is the "A" in ABLED and the son of Dave and Linda Tagart. He is the very heart of our inspiration and the driving force behind our mission. His life sparked the Tagart's vision to create an agency dedicated to the happiness and well-being of our participants. We are deeply grateful for Andrew's enduring influence. Fittingly, March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness month!



"Serving Jesus Christ by enabling people with developmental disabilities to creatively explore and live full meaningful lives in their communities"

Thank You for joining us in our mission!

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JOIN US AT ABLED EVENTS!

Brass Armadillo Antique mall

March 10, Monday
10666 Sapp Brothers Dr, Omaha, NE
11:30 am–12:30 am



Robber's Cave Tour

March 19, Wednesday
925 Robbers Cave Rd, Lincoln, NE
11:00 am– 12:00 pm



Scatter Joy Acres

March 26, Wednesday
4107 Waverly Rd, Murray NE
11:00 am–1:30 pm



Bethany Park Choir

March 28, Friday
N 65th & Vine St, Lincoln
10:45 am





VALENTINE'S DAY PARTY





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EVERY PERSON IS UNIQUE!





EVERY PERSON MAKES A DIFFERENCE!



Who is John the Baptist?

Most everyone, believer and non-believer alike, has heard of John the Baptist. He is one of the most significant and well-known figures in the Bible. While John was known as "the Baptist," he was in fact the first prophet called by God since Malachi some 400 years earlier. John's coming was foretold over 700 years previously by another prophet: "A voice of one calling: 'In the desert prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the wilderness a highway for our God. Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken'" (Isaiah 40:3–5). This passage illustrates God's master plan in action as God selected John to be His special ambassador to proclaim His own coming.

Perhaps there is no greater example of humility than what is seen in both Jesus and John in Matthew 3:13–15. Jesus came from Galilee to be baptized by John in the River Jordan. John rightly recognized that the sinless Son of God needed no baptism of repentance and that he was certainly not worthy to baptize his own Savior. But Jesus answered John's concern by requesting baptism "to fulfill all righteousness," meaning that He was identifying Himself with sinners for whom He would ultimately sacrifice Himself, thereby securing all righteousness for them. In humility, John obeyed and consented to baptize Jesus. As Jesus came up out of the water, "heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased'".

There are several lessons we can learn from the life of John the Baptist. One lesson is that wholeheartedly believing in Jesus Christ is possible. John knew that the Messiah was coming. He believed this with his whole heart and spent his days "preparing the way" for the Lord's coming. But the road was not an easy one to prepare. Daily he faced doubters who did not share his enthusiasm for the coming Messiah. Under hard questioning from the Pharisees, John shared his belief: "I baptize with water, . . . but among you stands one you do not know. He is the one who comes after me, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie". John believed in the Christ, and his great faith kept him steadfast on his course until the time when he could say as he saw Jesus approach, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!". As believers, we can all have this steadfast faith.

John was entrusted with a unique ministry, yet we, too, are called upon to share the truth of Jesus with others. We can follow John's example of faithful and obedient trust in God as we live and proclaim His truth in whatever life circumstances God has given us.