

Message from God's Life-Giving Word
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Journey with Jesus – The Baptism of Jesus

*For the **law** was given through **Moses**; **grace and truth** came through **Jesus Christ**.*
John 1:17

- Notes on John the Baptist (Matthew 3, Mark 1, **Luke 3** and John 1):

Jesus brings a NEW _____

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Know for certain!

What was the “something new” John the Baptist was telling about?

*The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “**Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!**” John 1:29*

What was the tension?

* God is for _____ !

Next Steps

1. Journal the following: What influenced your first impressions of Jesus—church, movies, television, art? How accurate were those first impressions? How have they changed?
 2. Read John 1:15–18. Do you tend to view religion as a collection of laws (rules) or as a relationship with God that is defined by grace and truth? What shaped your view?
 3. Is it difficult for you to believe Jesus came to do something new for you? Why or why not? Jesus is always doing a new thing in us and for us. What is one way you can help clarify the new thing that Jesus is doing for you in this season?
- REMEMBER:** Your time in daily devotion and prayer is not just for your benefit. It's also for the benefit of others. Share what God is teaching you.