

# John the Baptist Video

## “Bugs and Honey (Part 2)”

**Scripture:** Various Scripture passages about John the Baptist

**Memory Verse:** John 3:30 “*He must increase, but I must decrease.*”

**Lesson Focus:** We will complement our lesson last week on John the Baptist with a Superbook video on his life and ministry. As is always the case, the kids find themselves immersed into the story and come out of it with some lessons learned. We hope our RMC kids will experience the same!

**Teachers:** Please inform parents as they are dropping off their kids that they will be watching a cartoon video. There are one or two somewhat intense moments that may frighten little kids. If parents have any concerns, they may want to keep their kids with them in the main sanctuary. Unfortunately, RightNow Media does not have these videos available anymore for you to preview. If you have Amazon Prime, you can preview it there (Season 2, Episode 6).

**Schedule:**

- 1) Please bring kids into the main sanctuary as usual 10-15 minutes after service starts.
- 2) After our normal worship, I will introduce the video with some background information.
- 3) Sit down with the kids and watch the video with them (about 25 minutes).
- 4) We will dismiss the kids back to their rooms where we will provide follow-up small group activities.

**Room Time Afterwards:** We will have a coloring page and a word maze available for the lesson. Also see discussion questions below for your reference.

- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> graders: Feel at liberty to either lead a small group discussion afterward (using the discussion Q provided or your own Qs) or leverage the coloring page or puzzle.
- 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders: Please process and digest the video with the kids in the classroom. You can use the discussion Qs below or feel free to come up with your own Qs.

# Discussion Qs

- 1) At the beginning of the video what difficult choice did Chris have to make?
- 2) What would you do if someone gave you something that you wanted very much, but you knew that it was stolen?
- 3) Does God care if we steal, cheat, or lie only a little bit? **Read Luke 16:10.**
- 4) What did John the Baptist call the people listening to him? **Read Luke 3:7.** Why did he call them that?
- 5) Last week we talked about how John the Baptist was like an “alarm clock” sounding the alarm about our sins and the punishment we deserve for them. In the video it was said that, “John wants us to hear the truth, even when we don’t want to listen.” What’s that mean and how is it just like an alarm clock?
- 6) What must we do when we “wake up” to the truth about our sins and the punishment we deserve? **Read Acts 3:19.**
- 7) Herod and his wife were bad rulers. What happened to John when he challenged them to repent? **Read Luke 3:18-20.**
- 8) What did it cost Chris to repent of his sin and do what was right at the end of the video?
- 9) **Read John 3:30.** These are the words of John the Baptist as Jesus began His earthly ministry. What does this mean?

Close in prayer and remind kids of the good news of the gospel. **Romans 5:8-9** says that though we have sinned and deserve eternal punishment (hell) God in His love made a way to save us. Faith and trust in Jesus’s death and resurrection is the only way and John the Baptist came to prepare the hearts of people for Jesus! Is your heart ready?